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State is putting its resources behind hut-and-trail system

By REBECCA ZICARELLI

Maine Huts and Trails, the proposed hut system and recreation trail for people-powered recreation stretching from Newry to Moosehead Lake, gained a powerful advocate this week — the state of Maine.

Deputy Commissioner of Conservation Karin Tilberg said, "The administration is warmly supportive of the overall concept of the hut and trail idea. We are intrigued by the opportunity to enhance the economic health of the communities adjacent to the trail, especially if it becomes a world-class back-country recreation destination. We have been working with Western Mountains Foundation and Friends of Bigelow to ensure a trail is located in an appropriate manner and is sensitive to public concerns about the Bigelow Preserve."

Monday, state officials signed an agreement that should help resolve the biggest hurdle in the trail thus far — opposition to a groomed

cross-country ski trail passing through the Bigelow Preserve.

To go east from Carrabassett Valley to Flagstaff Lake, the trail must cross either the preserve or land owned by the Penobscot Indian Nation. But according to Larry Warren, president of the Western Mountains Foundation, the Penobscots were unwilling to negotiate trail corridors, and the Bigelow Preserve was the only available route.

The Bigelow Act allows cross-country skiing. But it was written and adopted by voters in 1976, years before groomed trails were part of the services expected by Nordic skiers. Mechanized traffic, except for timber harvesting and snowmobiling, is banned by the act creating the preserve.

Because of the apparent ambiguity of the Act, the Bureau of Parks and Lands recommended clarifying the Act through the legislative

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Many of Old Man's family endure in White Mountains

By ALISON ALOISIO

New Hampshire's most high-profile rock silhouette may have crumbled into the debris pile of history, but the White Mountains are still home to an extended family of venerable rock visages, according to Bethel historian Randy Bennett.

The Old Man of the Mountain, a favorite of tourists for more than a century, fell early this month from its perch on Cannon Mountain. Bennett's latest book, "The White Mountains, Alps of New England" surveys the history and geography of the region, including some of its human-like images carved by Mother Nature.

"There are at least a dozen major ones in the White Mountains," he said. A few of the Old Man's surviving relatives include:

The Old Man of the Valley in near-

by Shelburne, a boulder that when viewed from one side looks very human.

The Watcher, across the valley from where the Old Man was.

Indian Head, also in Franconia Notch, complete with "hair" in the form of evergreen trees.

"George Washington Lying in State" on a mountain ridge near the Flume gorge in Franconia Notch.

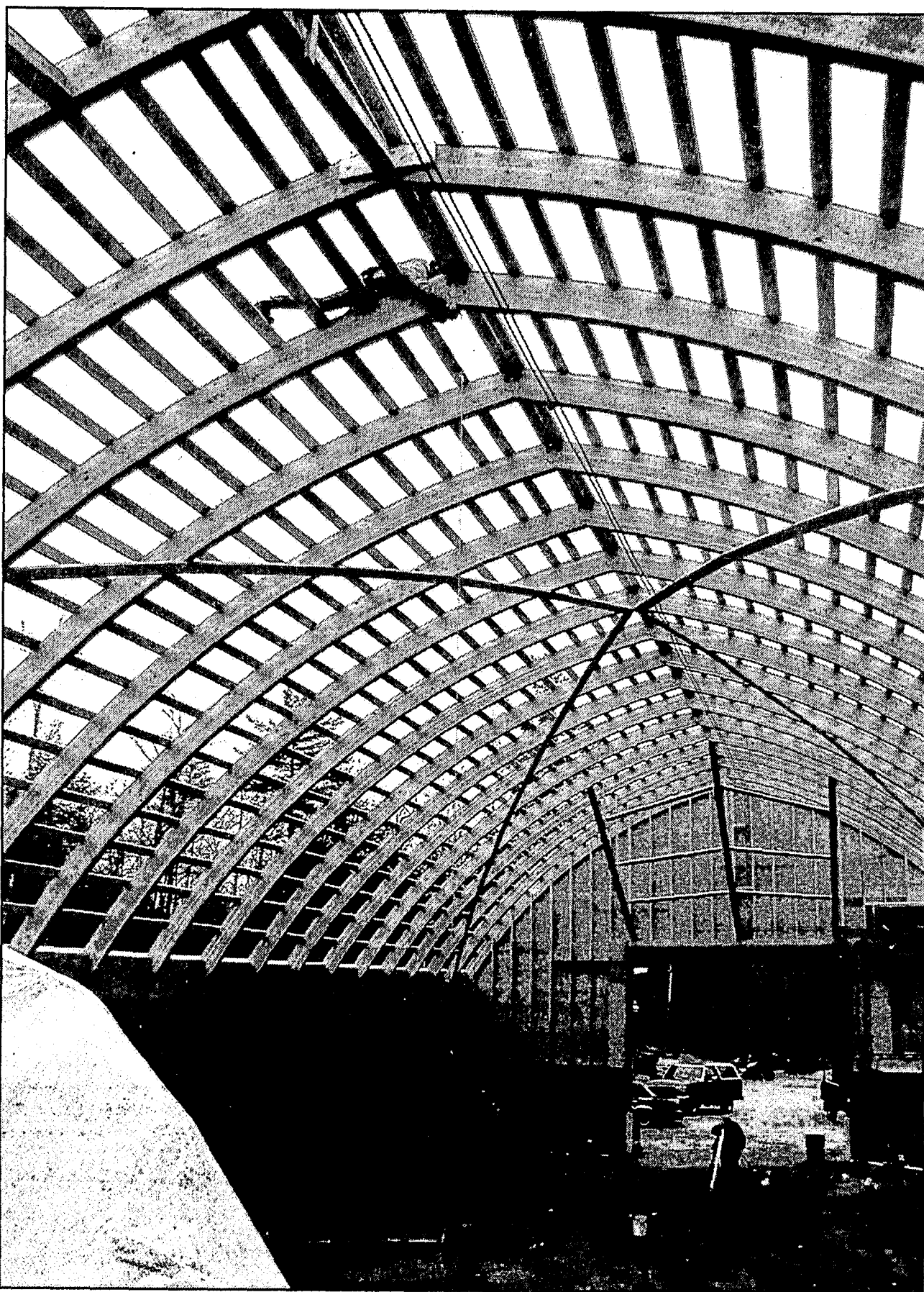
The Imp, an image that appears to be a smaller version of the Old Man, visible from the Dolly Kopp Campground in

Pinkham Notch.

Bennett said the early tourist industry of the region was quick to promote such formations. "Around 1900 there were a lot of tourist and railroad brochures," he said.

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Fixing the leaks in Greenwood



ROOF WORK AT THE SALT-SAND SHED—Even as Greenwood officials were planning for the eventual repair of the Alder River Dam, workers from Bancroft Contracting Corp. were busy on another water-control project — in this case, attempting to do a better job of keeping the elements out of the town's salt-sand shed. Last fall the new \$265,000 building began to spring serious roof leaks; and this spring, water began coming up from below. Last week town selectmen approved a plan from Bancroft (which had built the structure) for remedying its problems. The plan includes excavating and installing drainage around the exterior, and removing and replacing the roofing/siding. Here a worker on the roof drops a plumb line to check the laminated-wood purlins for straightness.

(Photo by Michael Daniels)

First phase of dam project to begin this summer

By MICHAEL DANIELS

When Greenwood voters agreed at a special Town Meeting in October 2001 to take over the Alder River dam — which holds back much of North, South and Round ponds — they knew they were taking on a financial responsibility.

At their two subsequent annual Town Meetings they uncomplainingly agreed to sock away a total of \$27,000 for the repair and maintenance of the dam.

Now it's time to start spending that money — not yet on the dam itself, but upstream on the cofferdam that will hold back the waters so that the main dam can be examined and repaired.

The last major overhaul of the dam was in 1981, when it was owned by American Home Products, which at the time was the owner of the adjacent wood mill.

In recent years, the wear and tear of more than two decades has become increasingly apparent on the dam.

Last month, prompted by calls from shorefront residents concerned about low water levels, the town asked Emergency Management Director Ray Seames to take a look at the structure.

The problems were not hard to spot. Tarps were twisted stuck over and under the gate, he told town selectmen last week, "and I was very surprised to see the number of leaks. They were like geysers pouring through it."

Seames said a temporary fix was worked out using "sand bags and more tarps."

But for the long haul, he said, the town needed to repair the cofferdam, then drain the mill pond so that an engineer could examine the dam and decide what needs to be done to it.

"I don't think there's any way to tell without draining the mill pond," Seames said.

Repairing the cofferdam would also provide a way of controlling the ponds' water level in the event the dam gate bursts before it can be repaired, he said. (The cofferdam is

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Telstar troupers tune up for off-Broadway musical

By ALISON ALOISIO

Telstar High School will stage its first musical in 20 years next week when it presents "Ducktails and Bobbysox," an off-Broadway musical comedy.

The play was the brainchild of physics teacher Jim Rose, who directed several Broadway musicals while he taught at Mountain Valley High School. Rose became Telstar's physics teacher this year.

"When I was interviewing for the physics opening last spring, I brought it up as something I'd like to add to the school," said Rose.

He grew up with musical theater at Mexico High School, graduating in 1981.

The Telstar production will feature junior Peter Poor as 1950s rock 'n' roll star Curtis Jackson. Poor's character, who is losing his fans to Elvis Presley and Buddy Holly, visits a small town to talk to one of his fans, Laura Carter (played by



THE CAST OF "Ducktails and Bobbysox": Danna Wilson, Tom Coolidge, Sarah Gamble, Peter Poor, Frank Westleigh, Kayla Cole, Jennie Whitman.

(Photo by Alison Aloisio)

sophomore Amanda Coolidge).

Jackson hopes Carter, who lives in the small town of Victor, can provide him with insight from a typical fan.

The star and his agent, Sandra Harper (senior Sarah Gamble) encounter many other characters along the way, including Alex Fenton (senior Adam Tanguay), a football hero who gets kidnapped before the big game; Tillie Thompson (junior Angela Hooper), an empty-headed waitress; Wilbur (sophomore Andrew Raymond) and Bertha (senior Mary Lawrence), a pair of clumsy nerds who find love through astronomy; Wheels (junior Tom Coolidge), the leader of the Yellowjackets Motorcycle Gang; Alice (freshman Danna Wilson), Wheels girlfriend; Plotsky (sophomore Kayla Cole), the not-so-bright sidekick of Wheels; as well as a squad of cheerleaders who break into cheers at every opportunity; and many others.

"It seemed to be a story with the type of characters the students would have fun with," Rose said. "I'm very proud of them and the hard work most of them have done, especially going into it not knowing what to expect," said Rose.

The group has been rehearsing

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Cole's evaluation purloined

Editor's note: Approximately two weeks ago The Citizen received a letter from a "concerned citizen" containing what purported to be a copy of the town manager's evaluation summary — that is, the annual numerical evaluations and selected comments of the Bethel selectmen regarding Scott Cole's job performance.

We were able to verify that the document was genuine. While such documents are normally confidential, they are not protected by law, and once in the hands of the press, they are fair game for developing a story. In this case, however, after thoroughly reviewing the summary we found no story to develop. There was certainly no smoking gun, and the overall tenor of the comments was generally favorable.

There was, of course, also the option of simply publishing the summary intact, but we could not see that any public purpose would be served in doing so — and thus gratuitously injecting the press into a routine employer-employee process.

We intended to let the matter rest there, but this week Dutch Dresser, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, issued the following public statement on the affair. We print it here in its entirety.

—MRD

"I'm sorry to have to report to you that sometime prior to our May 5 meeting, confidential material was stolen from a selectman's mailbox. The material was related to our professional development work with the town manager. The envelope, addressed to a selectman and clearly marked 'confidential' was opened, its contents were photocopied, and the copies were distributed to at least The Bethel Citizen and, reportedly, The Lewiston Sun Journal. (I do not have confirmation of the latter distribution, only an unverified report.) The original material was then returned to an envelope, which was distinctly different from the original envelope, and the selectman's name and the word 'confidential' were written on the envelope with ink color and handwriting quite different from the original.

"It must be assumed that the thief, or thieves, intended to somehow hurt the town manager with this act. Since the feedback worksheet summary stolen and distributed actually contained generally quite favorable reactions to the town manager's work, the matter would be laughable were it not such a serious breach of common trust.

"I appreciate the decency and responsibility of those who chose not to publish the material."

Dutch Dresser,

Chairman, Bethel Board of Selectmen



EXHIBITION HARNESS RACES

Saturday, May 24th

OXFORD COUNTY FAIR

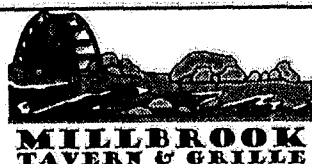
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Route 26, Oxford, ME

Post Time 1:00 p.m.

\$2.00 Admittance

50/50 • Consolation Prize • Food Available



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SUPPER

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Saturday, May 17 • 5:30-6:30

Adults \$5 • Under 12 \$2.50

Memorial Day EARLY AD DEADLINES

The Bethel Citizen will be
CLOSED, Memorial Day,
Monday, May 26th.

Due to the short production time
we've had to move our
advertising deadlines to...

Friday, May 23
4:30 pm

Thank You!

Ladies 5 week GOLF CLINIC

\$100 for 5 weeks

Starting Tues., May 20

5:30 - 6:30 - Beginners

6:30 - 7:30 - Intermediate & Advanced

Call The Bethel Inn

Pro Shop

824-6276 to sign up

ANNUAL CLEAN-UP

Middle Intervale Cemetery

Saturday, May 17th

at 7am

Rain Date:

Sunday, May 18th

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Letters

'IF IT AIN'T BROKE ...'

To the Editor:

I must admit that when I heard that the town was considering the eradication of our Police Department I thought it was a good idea. I thought this because as I mature, the more conservative I become, and I perceived that this would save taxpayers money. I also felt that Bethel was small enough to not need its own Police Department. Now that time has passed, and support has been apparent for our police department and its chief, I have mentally revisited my standpoint, our town, and its last 30 years. Since I was a youngster I can remember having a Police Department. I remember the feeling of security I always have had living in this little town that I have always called home. Perhaps if there was not a Police Department, it would not be that way.

Between Bethel and Sunday River alone, there are at the least nine pubs and/or bars. We all know that means a higher probability of drinking-and-driving related incidents. How many do we actually hear about? Why? Maybe it is because we have our own law enforcement agency patrolling after hours. I would feel uncomfortable to have this many places to drink and not have a town Police Department. If we allow that many liquor licenses (not including restaurants), then we should be obligated to have police coverage. After a lot of thought about this aspect and many others, I completely support the continuation of our police department, whether it is cheaper or not. Safety and security are worth paying for.

After reading the heartfelt and sad article about Addie, the guide dog, my son's personal confrontation with a pit-bull (mix?) recently, and the tragic death of a young boy who was torn apart by a pit-bull, I grow more concerned about certain dogs and their free ways within our community. Jeff Hale of the Humane Society said, "dogs are natural carnivores. We don't like to think of them that way because they're our loving pets. There's a certain amount of instinct." A study from the AVMA concluded that "pit-bull type dogs were involved in approximately a third of the fatal encounters. Rottweilers were responsible for half." In which, most victims were children. Many families feel that their dog is a family member and I understand their affection, but the fact is that history has shown that there are unpredictable times when they revert to their instinctive, predatory nature. Certain breeds are considered more dangerous and this has promoted Britain to legislate the Dangerous Dogs Act in 1991. To boot, if one has a dog of dangerous breed, they can be denied coverage of homeowner's insurance. We all know that the stats don't lie, and so do the insurance companies. Having said this, we need awareness and experienced animal control. We need Ozzie Hart.

Lastly, I would like to thank the following departments and their participation for doing a thorough and professional job of protecting and serving: Bethel Rescue, the Bethel Fire Department, the Bethel Water District, the Sewerage Treatment Plant, Animal Control Officer Ozzie Hart, the Transportation Department, the Bethel Town Office and the Bethel Police Department. We are fortunate to have them. It is a good thing to see "the locals" employed by our tax dollars, who have a vested interest in Bethel, besides a paycheck. I do not understand why it seems that many departments have recently come under fire in this town for either not doing enough or simply being too expensive. It is possible that such excessive scrutiny will handicap their performance and jobs. Also, I am comforted that Chief Darren Tripp is back in office, where he has done a great job, and I hope that he can continue. Turnovers and new personnel might seem exciting to some, but to me it is a step in the wrong direction. Like the wise old-timers say, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it." and "Some things are worth paying for."

Loretta Holt
Bethel

HELP WITH PATHWAY PLANTS

To the Editor:

Greetings. As the weather has warmed and we have had a few lovely spring days, the Bethel Pathway is seeing an upsurge in use. Go there almost any time of day, any day of the week, and you will find people of all ages enjoying it. Last year, the Conservation Commission oversaw the first steps in landscaping the bare areas along the Pathway, and despite the dry summer and harsh winter, the plants put in last year have survived and are putting out new growth.

This year, the commission plans to continue this project by adding more shrubs and some perennials. We also need to remove the silt fences that are still in place from the earlier construction, and remove debris along the pathway. There's mulching to be done, and weeding, and watering — well, you get the idea. How much we can accomplish depends entirely on how many volunteers are willing to "dig in."

We invite anyone who enjoys using the pathway to volunteer a few hours to help put in plants and then maintain them through the summer. If you are interested in enhancing this wonderful community asset, please give me a call at 824-0508 before the end of May. The work schedule is flexible and whatever time you can give will be much appreciated.

Jackie Cressy
for the Bethel Conservation Commission

AMBULANCE STATION OPEN HOUSE

To the Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to invite everyone to an open house at the Bethel Ambulance Station on Saturday, May 17, from 1 to 4 p.m. The open house is intended to allow people to see our station and ambulances, learn more about what we do, and ask questions about Bethel Rescue or EMS in general. If people are interested in joining the service, this is an excellent time to pick up an application. Bethel Rescue utilizes volunteer drivers, EMT-basics, intermediates, and per diem paramedics. We will be celebrating Maine EMS week starting the weekend of May 17, so please come in and learn more about your local ambulance service.

David T. Hanscom
Bethel

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SHAPE UP, WOODSTOCK, OR I'LL TURN YOU IN

To the Editor:

I want to tell the town of Woodstock that they should be ashamed of the way the cemetery looks. The retaining walls are falling apart. They haven't been fixed for years. There are a lot of stones that need to be fixed. There is at least one soldier's stone that needs to be fixed. I wouldn't want to have a Memorial Day program over there and people from other towns see how the cemetery is taken care of.

This is the only warning the town of Woodstock is going to have, because I will turn them in to the Maine Old Cemetery Association and tell them just how the cemetery looks. I will also send the pictures that I have taken to the association. The town officials know that I will do it.

Martha Ricker
Bryant Pond

CELEBRATING INNER BEAUTY

To the Editor:

May 21 is "Turn Beauty Inside Out Day." This grassroots campaign was created by a group of 8- to 14-year-old girls to celebrate inner beauty. The theme this year is on images of girls and women in advertising. The goal is to raise awareness and have discussions about how "beauty" is portrayed in advertising. Open up many magazines and the images we often see are of very young girls scantily clad in provocative poses. Who are these images for? There are far too many young people sexually victimized. The other area to reflect on when considering these images is body image. There are far too many girls with eating disorders. How do these images contribute? Use this day to be conscious of these images and have conversations with your girls and boys to help them develop a definition of beauty that focuses on who they are and what they do, not on how they look. For more information, you can check out the following Web sites: www.mediaandwomen.org and www.mindonthemedia.org (check out the "shocking facts").

Lastly, thank you to The Citizen for the wonderful cover story on the "Girls on the Run" program. You made our girls proud.

Kathy Goldberg and Linda Ray
Girls on the Run coaches

ST. NEVER'S DAY SALE ITEMS AND VOLUNTEERS

To the Editor:

Once more the Bethel Historical Society is holding its annual St. Never's Day sale and is interested in obtaining donations of items in good condition (no clothing please) to offer for sale. Several years ago, the sale was the inspiration of Lorrie Hoeh, who came up with the name. Its purpose is to benefit the society's capital campaign, which has allowed for the purchase and renovation of the Robinson House and is now focusing on the proposed museum addition. The sale date is May 24 at 9 a.m. and continuing to early afternoon. It is great time to have a cup of coffee, look over the goods, visit the museum and take in the Faye Taylor Memorial Art Show.

Volunteers are still needed to help with pricing on Thursday and Friday before the sale and with setting everything up prior to 9 a.m. on May 24. Anyone with items to donate is invited to leave them off anytime on the Robinson House side porch. If pick-up is required, please call the society office at 824-2908.

We hope to see a good crew here on May 24.

Stan Howe,
Executive Director, Bethel Historical Society

CALL FOR SUMMER SOLTICE RACE ENTRIES

To the Editor:

On Saturday, June 21, at noon, the streets of Bethel will be the track for the second annual Summer Solstice Sculpture Race. Artists, artisans, students and sculpture buffs, craftsmen, tinkers, ironworkers, welders, woodworkers, sculptors, engineers and creative people of all persuasions are encouraged to create art to race.

There will be five prizes: fastest, most aesthetically pleasing, most mechanically ingenious and most humorous, and an "under 12" division for kids. Prizes will include gift certificates donated by local businesses and trophies created by master potter Woody Hughes.

What is a sculpture race? Moving art. Kinetic, original, creative, competitive, fun and a great spectacle for onlookers. The criteria for sculpture entries are: human powered (no motors, batteries, solar cells, windmills, sails or other means of propulsion other than human); pushed, pedaled, pulled or otherwise (not dragged or carried); must incorporate wheels, legs or other means of movement; no floats, bicycles, wagons or pre-manufactured wheeled vehicles or devices (you have to make it); created and raced by individual teams; use of recycled materials and "found objects" is encouraged; may not be existing sculpture, must be newly created; sculptures may not contain advertising; height limit: under 13 feet six inches (state law, watch out for the power lines); width limit: eight feet six inches (state law).

The entry fee is \$10 made payable to "Midsummer Festival" and must be postmarked by June 1. More information and entry forms are available online at www.midsummerfestival.org, or e-mail midsummer@smasheasy.com. Request forms by mail at Midsummer Festival, P.O. Box 2103, Bethel, ME 04217-2103 or call 824-3246 or 824-3170.

The Summer Solstice Sculpture Race will be followed by the Midsummer Festival featuring music, crafts, dancing and more for the whole family. It is sponsored in part by the Mahoosuc Arts Council and The Bethel Inn.

Conni St. Pierre
Bethel

LMFT SERVICES SHOULD BE REIMBURSABLE

To the Editor:

In Maine there is a great need for providers of mental health services, especially in our rural areas. Community agencies that provide these services are constantly advertising for mental health counselors. There are children and families in our community who are on waiting lists for six months or longer, waiting to receive emotional and behavioral counseling.

Also in Maine there is a group of trained, professional licensed therapists who specialize in marriage and family therapy. We are licensed marriage and family therapists. We are the only master's level, licensed therapists who are required to have training in family systems and family therapy. Yet, the community agencies that need family counselors will not employ a licensed marriage and family therapist. The reason? DHS, who governs Maine Medicaid, did not include LMFTs as providers of services in a law that was written in 1993.

Under Maine statutes, licensed marriage and family therapists are duly licensed to diagnose and treat mental health conditions. The Maine law states that LMFTs have equivocal clinical status as licensed clinical professional counselors. The latter group, LCPCs, is reimbursed by Maine Medicaid, therefore they are eligible for positions at community mental health agencies.

Why then would DHS not support a bill that would amend the 1993 law, and include LMFTs in its list of providers? According to DHS, this provision would increase costs by approximately \$500,000. This cost estimate is five times the amount of the California Medicaid cost estimate, a state much larger than Maine. Also, the DHS cost estimate does not take into consideration the cost savings of providing treatment in a timely manner, thus avoiding the higher costs of inpatient treatment.

I would like to thank Rep. John Patrick from District 70, who has presented a bill, LD 175, that would include LMFTs in the list of mental health providers who are reimbursable by Maine Medicaid. LD 175 is now before the Health and Human Services Committee. With the current fiscal bill attached, it is unlikely that this bill will be passed by the full Legislature.

In Maine there are 79 licensed marriage and family therapists. Thirty of these LMFTs also hold a second license, LCPC. Thus, there are 49 LMFTs who are qualified as mental health providers, yet excluded from any mental health positions. Agencies such as Tri-County, Sweetser and Spurwink cannot hire LMFTs because Maine Medicaid does not reimburse LMFTs.

Excluding LMFTs as providers of Maine Medicaid is an unfair labor practice and violates federal Medicaid mandates. Federal Medicaid law requires that standards be reasonable and objective and that they not serve to arbitrarily deny participation by any provider type. Once qualification standards have been established, the state must allow all providers that meet them to participate in the program in order to ensure maximum freedom-of-choice for Medicaid enrollees.

It simply does not make sense that consumers of Maine Medicaid cannot receive family therapy from a licensed marriage and family therapist.

Rep. Patrick has worked very hard on LD 175 because he cares about meeting the needs of families, especially those who have children with emotional and behavioral difficulties. Let's hope it is not defeated because DHS has opposed it and attached an unrealistically high fiscal note.

Patricia A. Blakeslee
Licensed marriage and family therapist, president-elect, Maine Association of Marriage and Family Therapy,
Bryant Pond

KEEP OUR MEDIA FREE AND DIVERSE

To the Editor:

I can't believe this is happening in America. We are in danger of losing a critical aspect of our free society, namely, free and diverse media. You must prevent the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) from weakening rules that would prevent that.

FCC is reviewing its rules for media ownership and seem disposed to gut the rules making it possible, even likely, that one company may be allowed to own the local newspaper, the TV and radio stations, and the cable TV system in the same community. On the national scale there would be fewer and far less diverse ownership of networks, stations, and newspapers.

Our citizens would lose the ability to have open, informed discussion with a wide variety of viewpoints. An additional consequence would be higher costs for advertisers in local media, and those costs would of course be passed on to us — the consumers.

The FCC is expected to vote to change the rules on June 2. Public comment submitted to the FCC by individuals has been overwhelmingly opposed to media consolidation. Americans understand that the public interest is not being served by the kind of deregulation that reduces informed discussion and competition.

Please tell the FCC to reinstate and strengthen its traditional media ownership rules for the sake of democracy and a competitive marketplace.

Sincere thanks in advance.

Seabury Lyon
Bethel

Our Back Pages

Compiled by JOHN K. BROWN

10 years ago: Norman A. Millard of Locke Mills began his duties as Bethel's postmaster.

Sara Elizabeth Wight was announced as valedictorian of the Class of 1993 at Telstar Regional High School. Douglas James Bennett was salutatorian. Other top ten students were Maelynn Patten, Terri-Ann Applin, Billie-Jo Robertson, Victoria Butters Ojeda, Faye Bethany Luxton, Noelle Gauthier, Stacy Lynn Howe and Amanda Hendricks.

Jackson-Silver Post and Unit, American Legion and Auxiliary, installed officers for the ensuing year. Post officers were Earl Tyler, commander; Raymond Tripp, second vice commander; Rodney Hanscom, chaplain; Dan Davis, sergeant-at-arms; Brian Strickland, adjutant; Nicholas Clement, service officer and Edley Strickland, historian. Installed as unit officers were Leah Deegan, president; Noreen Russo, first vice president; Martha Stowell, second vice president; Olive Risko, secretary; Vera Cross, treasurer; Margaret McAllister, chaplain; Kathy Bartlett, historian and Betsy Gaudreau, sergeant-at-arms.

Birth: Alex MacKay Robinson.

Death: Edna E. Fallon.

20 years ago: Earl Hutchinson was honored for 40 years of dedicated and loyal service at P.H. Chadbourne and Co., with a surprise get-together at the Bethel Legion Hall.

Telstar Guidance Director Dan Hart was honored with an "Appreciation Tea" by staff and administration for an outstanding effort during his first year at the school.

Charter members Myrtle Lapham, Mabel Robertson, Emily Saunders, Maude Hunt, Gladys Cross and Sara Stevens were honored on the 21st anniversary of the formation of Bethel Senior Citizens.

Birth: Paige Morrill Brown.

Deaths: Stella K. Howe, Richard O. Hinkley, Marion S. Tibbetts, Joseph L. Dubey.

30 years ago: The bodies of John E. Knibbs, Unionville, Conn., Alloway W. Grouten, Farmington, Conn. and Harry O. Brown, West Burke, Vt. were found in a car alongside Route 2 in Gilead, the apparent victims of accidental carbon monoxide poisoning.

Linda James, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard James, was chosen as Miss Poppy 1973 by the Mundt-Allen Unit, American Legion Auxiliary.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Conner observed their 25th wedding anniversary.

Michael and Linda Gilbert entertained the Crescent Park School faculty at their mobile home on Robertson Hill honoring Mrs. Maxine Brown on her retirement from teaching.

Births: Martha Stewart Newell, Joe Douglas Chretien.

Death: Gayden G. Davis.

40 years ago: Volunteers from Bethel and vicinity prepared a two-night presentation of the benefit, Music Man Revue, under the direction of Susan Farrar at Odeon Hall.

Eleven inches of snow had been reported in Andover on May 11. Portions of the area were without electricity for 11 hours.

Death: T. Arthur Jordan.

50 years ago: Mexico's granite World War II Memorial near the Ridlonville bridge, was knocked over by an out-of-control truck. It was reported that the vehicle's brakes had let go while it was parked on the bridge.

Death: Myrna Louise York.

60 years ago: A \$200 increase in the salary of the superintendent of schools was voted at a meeting of the joint committee of the Bethel School Union.

The body of Mrs. Frederick Trebilcock was recovered from Umbagog Lake. Sgt. and Mrs. Trebilcock had been missing since the previous fall.

Grass and brush fires throughout Maine were the worst in nine years.

70 years ago: A meeting was held at the hose house to make a permanent organization of the Riverside Park Association.

Fred Wheeler was appointed jailer at the Oxford County Jail.

100 years ago: Hedgehog's noses were being brought in to the Town Treasurer to collect bounty.

500 acres burned in Middle Intervale on land belonging to Kimballs, Carters, and Will Chase.

Nahum Bennett, 78, visited West Bethel. He was the first white child born on the Magalloway River and had never been sick.

Former Gov. and Civil War General Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain attended Clark S. Edward's funeral in Universalist Church.

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Briefly

One challenger in Bethel elections

BETHEL—There is only one race this year in Bethel's municipal elections. Francis Dumont is challenging incumbent selectman Reggie Brown for a three-year term. For the office of assessor, Robert Everett is the only candidate for a three-year term, replacing Arlan Jodrey, who is not running. SAD44 incumbent directors Becky Cummings and Everett are also running for their seats unopposed. The election will take place June 10.

SAD44 directors approve budget

ANDOVER—SAD44 directors Monday unanimously approved a proposed \$8.9 million general fund school budget to send to voters in a June 10 referendum. If voters approve, the figure would mean a 3.5 percent increase to the overall local share paid by member towns. The budget includes a built-in hike of nearly \$400,000 from previously negotiated personnel contracts. There are no new academic programs proposed for next year, but a new, full-time, position of curriculum director has been created. The position is currently part-time. Directors also approved a proposed adult education budget of \$220,000, an increase of 2 percent. A public hearing on the FY'04 budget will take place May 27 at Telstar High School. In the FY'03 budget, the local share increase was 7.4 percent, reflecting several large capital projects.

Johnston running for selectman

WEST PARIS—Jim Johnston has announced he will seek one of two selectmen's seats recently vacated by resignations. He has served on the Budget Committee and chaired a study committee researching the town manager form of government. He will also serve on the town manager search committee. Johnston, a retired educator, owns Johnston's Hardware Etc. in West Paris. Also running for a seat is former selectman Wade Rainey. Another resident, Terry Campbell, initially announced he would run, but then withdrew. The election will take place tonight (Thursday) at 6:30 p.m. at the Agnes Gray School.

Bryant to pay fine for OUI

AUGUSTA—Sen. Bruce Bryant (D-Dixfield) will not contest an April 16 drunk driving charge and will pay a \$400 fine. Bryant will also give up his license for 90 days and take a driving course conducted by the state, he said. Bryant, 41, was observed swerving and nearly striking a curb in Augusta the night of April 16. He had just left a restaurant. He was given a field sobriety test and then a breathalyzer test, and his blood alcohol level was 0.11. The legal limit is .08. Bryant said he had had one drink, but he was tired, and had used bad judgment. He has no prior criminal record.

Black Mountain to double in size

RUMFORD—Black Mountain Ski Area will double in size next winter under a plan announced last week by the Maine Winter Sports Center. Using funds provided by the Portland-based Libra Foundation, the center will install a chairlift, snowmaking equipment and lights. It also plans to begin a program of children's activities in time for the coming ski and snowboard season. The project will more than double the ski area's vertical drop, from 470 feet to 1,120 feet, and double its skiable acres. Black Mountain includes 35 kilometers of cross-country trails, and the area has a long history of hosting national collegiate championships. The Maine Winter Sports Center's CEO Andy Shepard said the Black Mountain development will be the prototype for future revitalization projects for rural Maine ski facilities.

Eight hurt in vans collision

PARIS—A van carrying students from Oxford Hills Christian Academy collided head-on with another van on Main Street Friday. Eight people went to the hospital, none with serious injuries. Paris Police said academy driver Roberto Gonzalez, 41, was apparently distracted by activity in the van and drifted into the other lane. The van struck another driven by Bonnie Hall, 48, of Oxford, who was traveling with her 14-year-old daughter. Five students were in the OHCA van.

Bicentennial meeting set

GILEAD—Town officials have scheduled an organizational meeting for a committee that will plan events in observance of Gilead's 2004 Bicentennial. Anyone interested in joining the group should come to the meeting at the Town Hall at 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 7, or call the town at 836-2115. Between seven and 10 volunteers are needed, according to Beverly Corriveau, administrative assistant. Among questions to be decided is whether to hold one large celebration on a weekend, or plan events over the course of a week.

Telstar spring concert next week

BETHEL—The Telstar Music Department will present the annual spring concert May 20, featuring the Middle School Chorus and Band, High School Chorus and Concert Band, Jazz Band. There will be a special guest appearance from the Music Improvisation Class. Tom Coolidge will conduct the TMS musicians and Jennifer Bennett the THS musicians. The concert begins at 7 p.m. in the Helen Berry Auditorium. Admission is free, but donations are appreciated. There will be refreshments sponsored by the Music Boosters organization.

Sign up for Storyland

NEWRY—The Newry Recreation Committee will sponsor the annual trip for Newry children to Storyland in Glen, N.H., on Monday, June 23. Parents may sign a child up by calling the town office at 824-3123 by June 16. No later sign ups can be accepted. The group rate for adults and others accompanying the group is \$17 in person. Cash is required for admission — credit cards cannot be used for the group rate.

Maine national park committee formed

HALLOWELL—An advisory group called "Americans for a Maine Woods National Park," which includes such celebrities as Harrison Ford, Walter Cronkite and Robert F. Kennedy Jr., has been formed to promote a national park in northern Maine. "The declining timber industry and economic downturn of northern Maine show us that we should all take a fresh look at what this new park could do for Maine," said committee co-chair Will LaPage, professor of park management and tourism at the University of Maine. "While protecting this historic area of the Maine Woods from development that now threatens it, the park would help stabilize and enhance the local economy." A total of 110 people are members of the committee, including 17 Mainers.

Tree-planting workshop offered

ALBANY—The Western Maine chapter of the Small Woodland Association of Maine will host an informational meeting on tree planting at 9 a.m. May 17 near the Albany Basin along Crooked River, just off Route 5. Tim Sawyer, a forester for Chadbourne Tree Farms in Bethel, will lead a tour of Harry Brown's gravel pit where thousands of pine and spruce have been planted over the last two years. State Forester Merle Ring will explain the various types of trees available for hand planting along with methods, techniques and tools. Western Maine Nurseries of Fryeburg has donated bare root and container stock for the demonstration, which will also include a discussion of time of year, site preparation and cost-share money available. The session will conclude with a walk on one of Sawyer's woodlots in Waterford to look where white pine seedlings were planted after the ice storm. Some of the pine has been released with a brush saw. The Albany meeting site is located near the transfer station on Route 5, about a mile from the International sign. Coffee and doughnuts will be available at 8:30 a.m. The session is open to the public and signs will be posted.

From the Bethel Police Log:

Monday, May 5

At 9:15 p.m. police charged Jeffrey Palmer, 41, with operating after suspension — failure to obtain a license within 30 days of residency/evasion of registration fees and excise tax.

Thursday, May 8

At 4 p.m. police talked to a complainant who reported his window had been broken. He was given a statement form.

Saturday, May 10

At 11:40 p.m. a subject was observed at a village business. A check showed an outstanding warrant for failure to pay a fine. Robert M. Padgett, 29, of Bethel was arrested and taken to the Oxford County Jail.

Monday, May 12

At 4:35 a.m. police were called to the intersection of Routes 2 and 5 for a possible vehicle accident with no one around. The vehicle was towed, to be held until the owner contacted police about why it had been left there.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log. It lists all cases of adults being arrested or issued a criminal summons in the 10 days prior to the newspaper's publication, but does not include all reports of other police activity. To reach the Bethel Police Department, call 911 in emergency situations, 824-3437 in non-emergencies.

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SOLTICE FUN IN THE WORKS

To the Editor:

The Summer Solstice, Saturday, June 21, will be a day of activities and fun for all ages, a celebration of the arts and science, creativity and community.

There will be scientific discussion and explanations of the solstice itself at 10 a.m. at the McLaughlin Center, Gould Academy, with Tim Kersey and children's stories of the solstice with Betsy Cooper at 11 a.m. at the Bethel Library.

At noon the Summer Solstice Sculpture Race will take place around the Bethel Common with youth (12 years and under) and adult categories. Artists, craftsmen and tinkers of all ages are encouraged to enter. Find entry forms online at www.midsummerfestival.org and at Crescent Park School, the Maine Press, the Good Food Store in Bethel and Fare Share Co-op in Norway. It's time to create.

Midsummer Festival activities at The Meadow (Route 2, one-half mile west of the village) will take place all afternoon from 2 to 5 p.m. Look for the large white tent.

Music, midsummer birch (May-pole style) dances, nature crafts, giant bubbles and feathers, "Life in a Medieval Village" with costumes and stories for kids, flower garlands and performance by The Art Moves Dance Group will all be part of this festive day.

Donations will be most welcome to help the Midsummer Festival. Fixed expenses such as insurance, tent, port-a-potty and printing need to be met through such contributions to keep this festival going.

Help us celebrate. In appreciation, a \$40 donor will receive a hand printed muslin banner reproduction of a 16th century woodcut, which can be displayed. A \$20 donor will receive a "Bird-in-a-Nest."

Please make checks payable to "Midsummer Festival" and mail to P.O. Box 2103, Bethel, ME 04217 or call 824-3246 or 824-3170. Thank you.

Sally Taylor
Midsummer Festival Committee

WHO WAS AT CAPITOL REEF N.P.?

To the Editor:

Recently, my wife and I returned from a camping trip in Utah, specifically Capitol Reef National Park. It was a glorious place and we had a great time.

At the end of one of our hikes was an old note placed on a log held down with a rock. It referred to "The couple from Bethel, Maine ..."

This had been there for at least a week before we arrived.

So someone else was just there from Bethel. Who are they? We have a message for them. Do call.

Marcel Polak
Bryant Pond

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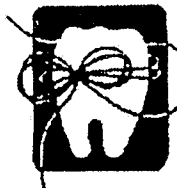
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Dam

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located at the small bridge behind the Round Pond Store.)

Bids in hand

Seames' suggestions were consistent with the rough plan of action town selectmen had already formulated. In fact, they had already sent out a request for proposals on the cofferdam work.

Two bids were received by last week's deadline, according to Town Manager Carol Whitman, one for \$5,000 from Andre Bernier of Bethel and the second for \$20,000 from Bancroft Contracting Corp.

The selectmen are expected to review the bids at their next regular meeting, on Monday, May 19, Whitman said.

The cofferdam project is not expected to involve drawing down the water level, she said.

Dams date from early 19th century
The process of building and rebuilding dams has been going on in Locke Mills for nearly two centuries, according to Blaine Mills, president of the Greenwood Historical Society.

The first dam was built in 1819, just upstream of the current site, by Samuel B. Locke, who used it to provide power for a sawmill.

Prior to the various phases of dam-building activity, the upstream ponds were smaller and emptied individually into the Alder River, for which they were named: North Alder, South Alder and Round Alder ponds.

Over the years, as the dams were raised to provide more power, the water level in the upstream ponds rose. Eventually the three ponds joined to become a single body of water.

The growth of the ponds can be seen in topographical maps at the Historical Society building in Locke Mills.

Profiles

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Bennett is curator of collections at the Bethel Historical Society. In 2004, the society plans an extensive exhibit on the history of the White Mountains region.

People who want to take the time to look can probably find more, maybe even in their own backyards. "It's like looking for faces in the clouds," said Bennett.

"Anthropomorphism" is the term — attributing human characteristics to nonhuman things.

Let him rest in peace
Since the Old Man's demise, debate has raged over whether to try to reconstruct him, or simply find a way to memorialize him. Bennett agrees with the growing number of voices speaking against reconstruction.

In fact, he said, we might simply just watch Cannon Mountain to see what nature produces next.

"The cliffs of Cannon are constantly breaking away," said Bennett. "Let Nature take its course. We can wait and see what might emerge."

The Old Man is not the first famous rock formation in the White Mountains to come crashing down. In 1933, a "suspended boulder," lodged between two sides of the Flume gorge, was dislodged in a storm.

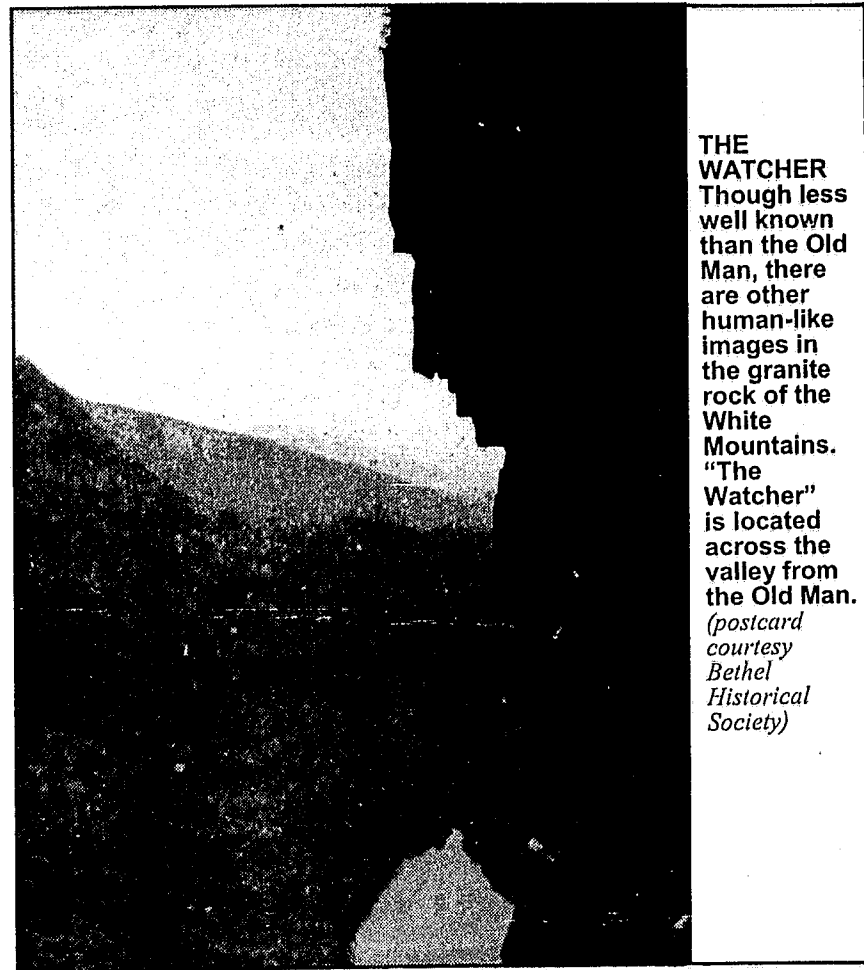
And those of us in the Bethel area may want to keep tabs on Table Rock in Grafton Notch, said Bennett. A crack running across the rock has widened a couple of

Musical

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three days a week since auditions took place in early March.

The music director for the show is Jennifer Bennett, THS music teacher. Fellow music teacher Tom Coolidge will provide piano accompaniment.



THE WATCHER
Though less well known than the Old Man, there are other human-like images in the granite rock of the White Mountains. "The Watcher" is located across the valley from the Old Man. (postcard courtesy Bethel Historical Society)

inches since the 1960s, he said, and he believes the day will come when the popular picnic site falls to the valley below.

Book out in August

Bennett's book is currently in the middle of publication — and it will be one of the last to refer to the Old Man of the Mountain in the present tense.

"Maybe it will be worth \$5

more," he joked.

In addition to writing about the Old Man, Bennett had also chosen a photo of the profile for the book's back cover.

It was too late to write anything in detail about the Man's passing, but the publisher, Arcadia, will parenthetically note that he fell during publication. The book will come out in August.

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Hut system

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process. So the Western Mountains Foundation filed legislation, LD 926, to amend the Bigelow Act, allowing for mechanically groomed ski trails.

The Friends of Bigelow, the citizen group that led the effort to create the preserve by citizen referendum, has adamantly opposed the hut and trail proposal and any legislation that would modify the Bigelow Act.

Agreement details

Ralph Knowles, of the Bureau of Parks and Land, negotiated the agreement. It commits the state to helping with the trail system, the Western Mountains Foundation to searching for an alternate route, and the Friends of Bigelow to not opposing the system.

The agreement also calls for Western Mountains Foundation to drop the legislation to amend the Bigelow Act.

The agreement has already been signed by the Department of Conservation and Western Mountains Foundation, but has not been signed by the Friends of Bigelow as of press time.

The agreement calls for Western Mountains Foundation and the state to conduct good-faith negotiations with private landowners, including the Penobscot Indian Nation, to find a route that goes around the Bigelow Preserve and crosses the Appalachian Trail outside the preserve.

A hut site on Flagstaff Lake would also be moved to the east, outside the bounds of Dead River Township. All the land in Dead River Township was included in the Bigelow Act, but not purchased as part of the preserve when it was created.

The state would attempt to negotiate the purchase of the land in Dead River Township, which is owned by Central Maine Power, for the preserve, thus expanding it to the original boundaries outlined in the act. But Knowles said this will only happen on a "willing-seller, willing-buyer" basis. "We will not use eminent domain," he said.

Involving the Penobscot Nation
Moving the Flagstaff hut disrupts the spacing of a day's trek between huts. To restore that spacing, the hut site on the western side of the preserve could potentially be relocated to Penobscot land.

Warren said, "In considering the relocation of the hut onto Penobscot Indian Nation land, we are open to any potential involvement with the Penobscots. We recognize their initiatives to find economic solutions for their people and feel there may be opportunities with this hut that may be mutually beneficial."

Knowles said, "The concept agreement, when all parties have signed it, sets certain things in motion. First, is myself to work with the Western Mountains Foundation and Penobscot Indians to locate the trail over Indian-owned land."

When asked if the Penobscots were willing to negotiate now, Knowles said, "Indications so far are that they appear to be interested in having these discussions. But all the parties are going to have to work hard in order to reach an agreement."

"We made a commitment to the Western Mountains Foundation that we will be at the table with the Penobscots, and the tribe has indicated that they welcome somebody from the state there trying to be helpful."

Additional assistance

Knowles said that his responsibility to help with negotiations will spread beyond the Bigelow area, and potentially include the entire trail. And he indicated that his expertise may be just the beginning of the assistance the state brings to the project.

"My experience is with natural resources," he said, "not necessarily economic development. We may bring in other people, including people from State Planning, DEC, Tourism; any of the support services out there to try and move the project forward."

Should the negotiations for a trail corridor around the preserve fail, the agreement also outlines the terms that must be met for the Bigelow Advisory Committee to even consider putting the trail through the Bigelow Preserve. Those terms include assuring the trail would have as little impact on the preserve as possible.

Waiting on the Friends

According to Dick Fecteau, president of the Friends of Bigelow, the Friends had a board meeting Wednesday night (after press

time) to discuss the agreement.

"We will definitely adhere to the spirit of this agreement," Fecteau said Tuesday, "but we need 48 hours to discuss it."

When pressed on whether or not he thought the Friends would agree to sign, Fecteau said, "I think this is the best agreement that can be worked out under the circumstances. Other than that, I can't yet speak for the Friends."

Monday afternoon, the Legislative Committee on Forestry, Conservation, and Agriculture held a work session on the bill to amend the Bigelow Act. In accordance with the agreement, the Western Mountains Foundation now recommended the legislation "ought not to pass," and the committee voted accordingly. However, the committee held the bill for potential reconsideration in case the Friends decide not to sign the agreement.

In a Monday evening e-mail to explain the outcome of the bill to supporters of the project, Warren wrote: "An agreement between Western Mountains Foundation, the Maine Department of Conservation and the Friends of Bigelow has been substantially completed that will resolve several issues regarding the proposed hut and trail location in the area of the Bigelow Preserve."

Warren's e-mail continued, "The Friends of Bigelow agree to support the hut and trail project revision."

Though Warren had recommended that the bill not pass, Fecteau was concerned about Warren's language in the e-mail. "He said the Friends of Bigelow would support the hut and trail proposal, and we never agreed to that. We agreed not to oppose it."

Despite the clashing opinions that surface during discussions about the trail system and the Bigelow Preserve, Knowles said he looks forward to seeing the project become a reality that has minimal impact on the preserve.

"I'm optimistic the Friends of Bigelow will sign the agreement," he said. "We've all put too much work in for that not to happen. This project offers opportunity to combine managed recreational opportunities in this part of the state with the traditional timber-based economy."

Bethel



by Virginia Keniston
Ray and Leslie Cooley spent the week in North Carolina with their daughter, Mindy.

Those returning recently from Florida include Phyllis and Sonny Blake, Rudy and JoAnn Royer, Ed Dorion and Mary Nutter and Mike Brown.

Phyllis Bancroft is at Market Square in South Paris. Sue Farrar, Hastings, Chadbourne and Paine families were some of the many people that enjoyed family gatherings on Mother's Day.

Rebecca Kendall, Dottie Bartlett, Bob and Polly Davis enjoyed the delicious Mother's Day buffet at Mountain View Grand in Whitefield, N.H., after which they traveled to Franconia to view the remains of the "Old Man."

At the May 9 meeting of Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge there were five and one-half tables and a Mitchell movement was played. First-place winners north-south were Barbara and Paul Beegel, second was Paul Barber and Beverly Pelletier. East-west winners were Eric and Marilyn Sahlborg in first and Pat and Mike Quinn coming in second.

Sunday River Valley



by Rockie Graham

It's wet and windy, but we do need the rain. I could live without the cold, but it's not that cold and it is not snowing, so I will not complain. It will make my herbs grow and then I can transplant them.

This will be a short column as I am very busy. This moving stuff is out of control. I live in a sea of boxes. I trip over them, find them in my bed and pack/pack/pack. This, too, will end. It will be sad, however, to have to move. I have been in this valley more than 15 years. That is a long time.

I will be holding a moving sale on this Friday and Saturday, May 16 and 17. See my ad in the classifieds. Many items will be for sale including small appliances, mattresses, etc.

I still have not heard from anyone volunteering a space for Bethel Area Poets. If anyone has it in their hearts to lend us a space, give us a call. Thanks.

That is all for this week. Time is short and I must give this computer back. I hope all of you aren't suffering from spring allergies like I am. Have a good week.

Mason Township



by Richard Grover

Robins are famous for building nests in odd places. Last year, one built a nest in Mona's fuschia plant, just outside our front door. This year, one built a nest on top of the stovepipe of my outdoor fireplace, the one I use to boil down syrup. I decided to destroy this nest before the robin started laying eggs in it, because I have a son and grandson coming to visit in a couple weeks, and they love to have a "campfire" and to toast marshmallows. I'm hoping the unfortunate mother-to-be decided to build another nest in a more appropriate spot.

Most people probably dream about doing something silly at more than one time in their lives. Well, I've had this desire to have a water fountain with a little stream and pool in my yard. This spring, at a flower show at Scarborough Downs, we saw a pond setup, complete with a little stream. We found out a place in Westbrook does landscaping and "water-scaping." One day a couple weeks ago, I had an appointment to meet a fellow at the Portland Jetport. Mona and I decided to check out the "water-scaping" place. We were hooked. We purchased a pond kit, complete with pond liner, re-circulating pump system, filters and all sorts of directions on how to install the "stuff." Now, I'm happy to report that we have excavated an 11 x 16 foot pool, up to two feet deep, and added a 25-foot long stream leading down a slight slope to the pool. I have hauled rocks, tractor bucket load after bucket load of rocks, from all over the farm, day after day, until we're finally finished — and we have a lovely scenic brook and pool in the yard, just west of the house.

We can watch and listen to the water splattering over the rocks day and night. Only trouble is, the land-

scaping project has just begun. Mona has got to build flower gardens, walkways and plant shrubs all around our "work of art" — more bucket loads of rocks, and wagon loads of dirt.

East Bethel



by Nancy Mercer
Alex Hebert should also have been on the sixth-grade honors list last week.

Esther Wilson attended the house warming for Paul and Charlotte Kimball on May 10. Velora Tuominen put together the party for Paul and Charlotte. There were about 50 family, friends and neighbors there to warm the new house.

Jack and Lucy Nordahl returned on May 3 from a two-month camping trip down to the Pensacola area in Florida, visiting in the area and camping on the return home. They came home along the Skyline Drive in western Virginia. They and Mikie had a wonderful time.

Florence Hastings spent Mother's Day with Alan and Mary Alice Bancroft on Paris Hill.

The Alder River Grange supper schedule has a date change: June 28, baked beans and hot dogs; July 12, cold cuts and salads; Aug. 16, chicken BBQ and yard sale; Sept. 6, fish chowder or oyster stew; Sept. 27, roast beef; Oct. 18, oyster stew or fish chowder; Oct. 25, harvest supper; Nov. 1, turkey supper.

If anyone has news, give me a ring at 824-3350. Have a nice week.

Gilead



by Elise Caswell
I hope I'm not jumping the gun. The spring fundraiser for R.E.A.C.H. at the Bethel Inn

really put me in the mood for spring. The day was delicious. The weather was gorgeous. My fear barometer would have me believe my debut as a fashion model rates right up there with some of my peak adventures. As one of five daughters, I always wanted to be a boy. I had no time for fingernails or hairdos. Clothes have always been

The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

Sharon Bouchard's column is published by special arrangement with the Advertising Department of this newspaper.

There is nothing that can make me feel dumber than my computer. Just when I think I have tamed the monitored beast, it attacks me with Error Messages leaving me feeling defenseless against the technological monster.

Yet, I have come a long way from the days when I called my mouse a gerbil and the only cursor that is a problem now is me. In fact, I've gained such knowledge that when my computer freezes up I know how to curse in computerese.

However, in spite of the computer wisdom I now possess the blasted thing still manages to reduce me to idiot status at least once a week. At least I'm not alone; of this I'm sure. An article in the Wall Street Journal talked about the millions of calls the Tech Support people from various computer companies receive.

People call in a state of panic, often in tears and frequently in anger. Some of the more memorable callers were discussed in that article.

A Techie from Compaq Computers said the company was considering changing the command "Press Any Key" to "Press Return Key" because of the flood of calls they have received asking where in heck the "Any Key" was.

AST Technical Support had a caller complaining that her mouse was hard to control with the dust cover on. The dust cover turned out to be the plastic bag the mouse was packaged in.

As stupid as the dust cover mistake may have been, it was nothing compared to the man who called Dell Computer because he couldn't get his computer to fax anything. After 40 minutes of trouble shooting the technician discovered that the man was trying to fax a piece of paper by holding it in front of the monitor screen and hitting the "send" key.

Yet another Dell customer called to complain that his keyboard no longer worked. He had cleaned it by filling up his tub with soap and water and then proceeded to soak the keyboard for a day. But this electronic genius

decided it wasn't clean enough and removed each and every key and cleaned them individually.

That reminds me of a man I know who probably doesn't know anything about computers, but he also doesn't know anything about pianos. His wife was having her piano tuned and cleaned, and the tuner told Bob he had to go to his car to get his piano vacuum. Bob, wanting to be helpful or at least reduce the time the tuner would take thereby saving money, decided to help by taking his wife's vacuum and proceeded to suck every felt out of the piano. The moral to that story is that doing really stupid things is not limited to computer users.

However, in spite of the computer wisdom I now possess the blasted thing still manages to reduce me to idiot status at least once a week.

But some computer users still rank pretty high on the dumb-o-meter. A man called IBM to say he was having trouble printing a document. When asked by tech support if the computer had given him a message he said yes, the computer told him it "couldn't find printer". The man went on to say that he tried turning the computer screen to face the printer and the darn thing still couldn't find it.

I get the feeling that computers control the users rather than the other way around. A Dell technician once had to calm an enraged customer because he kept getting a message saying he was "Bad and Invalid." The support tech had to explain that the message referred to the computer commands and did not mean him personally.

Well, I know how the poor man felt. My computer has made me feel bad and invalid on many occasions. It has reduced me to a blubbery heap of fat flesh feeling that I should never go near a computer again for the rest of my life.

Just imagine how a woman felt when she called Dell tech support because she couldn't get her brand new computer to come on. She

assured the techie that everything was plugged in properly, but no matter how many times she pushed on the foot pedal nothing would happen. It turns out that the foot pedal was actually the mouse. I have a hunch this woman does a lot of sewing.

And maybe the man who called IBM about his trouble installing software has spent a lot of time playing an old 45 rpm record player. He said when he put the first disk in everything was fine, but when he was commanded to put Disk #2 in he ran into problems and Disk #3 wouldn't even fit. He didn't understand that "Insert Disk #2" implies that he should remove Disk #1 first.

At least he didn't have "Windows" problems. A woman called the Canon Help Desk because she couldn't get her printer to work. The techie asked if she was running under windows. The woman responded that her desk was next to the door, but she thought that was a good point because the man in the next cubicle has his desk under a window and he didn't seem to have any problems with his printer.

I have a window on the side and in front of my computer, so that explains why I never have had any problems with my printer.

My favorite complaint stated in the article was from a man who called the help desk saying that the cup holder on his computer broke off and he wanted to know if they were going to fix it. The techie was puzzled and asked if it had been a promotional item from a trade show. The man said he didn't know anything about that; the cup holder just came with the computer. Upon further questioning the techie was able to determine that the cup holder was, in fact, the load drawer of the CD-ROM.

Well, I've done some pretty stupid things with my computer too, so far be it for me to laugh at these people. But the way I see it, at least I have the comfort of knowing that my computer ignorance will never be made public by being printed in any newspaper.

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about comfort and utility, but many is the moment I've wasted standing before a mirror and wondering if I looked O.K. Pushing my personal envelope to be a model for R.E.A.C.H.'s fashion show was a hoot. "Celebrating The Human Form" was not about how you looked so much as how you felt. Maya Best's "Common Drum" set some rhythms for us to step out into the social eye with confidence. There were folks in skateboarding clothes, cowboy outfits, formals and lounging gear. Bodies were all shapes and sizes. The only thing everyone seemed to have in common was a smile. Lunch was splendidly elegant. Arla Patch's reflections on the theme as demonstrated by two extraordinary masks and her body cast, Unconditional Joy, was inspirational and uplifting. I came away from that event feeling divine. The depth of trauma that a community service like R.E.A.C.H. provides service for was met with a soaring height of supportive and healing energy. It was truly an honor to be part of that very special day. Feeling so close to heavenly has either brought out my deep faith or my inner fool. So be it. I can't keep myself out of the garden.

I was looking at last year's calendar and most of my planting was done after Memorial Day. I did the planting marathon style and could barely move after asking my body

to keep pace with my ambition. That ambition ran me ragged last summer right into early November. I vowed not to repeat that process. So this year I'm planning to grow lots more flowers and herbs, a fraction of the tomatoes and peppers and no cucumbers. We'll see. It's not even May 15 and I've planted greens and potatoes and peas. The day Stephen and I pulled all the dead out and he tilted, I discovered Mother Nature had planted several of my favorite little flowers. There's something about Johnny-jump-ups that remind me of chickadees. They are so chipper and spirited even under the worst of circumstances. They show up uninvited and lift your spirits. Another name for them is Heartsease. They seem to be one of the first flowers of spring and heart's ease is how it feels to smell the dirt after the deep freeze of this past winter. Once I got moving things around in the dirt, I couldn't help myself despite inner voices telling me to be cautious and wait. Suddenly I had caught a rhythm. Angelica and Lovage were already decked in their serrated leaves. I think of Arla's talk and can feel an ecstasy of creative urgency. Sometimes a girl has to do what she has to do no matter what anyone thinks. All I can do now is pray this early bird doesn't get the worm. I sure hope Mother Nature picks a frost-free spring outfit for my benefit.

Hanover



by Clem Worcester

Clean-up day in Hanover was May 3. Five volunteers worked to clean up around the Town Office and the Boat Ramp. They also did yard work for Herb and Ruth Kittredge, who have been under the weather much of the past winter. Tim Mack, Mike Verrill, Bob Fortin, Brenda Gross and Bruce Powell did all the work.

Stony Brook Recreation has announced plans for the third annual Hanover Campout to be the weekend of June 27, 28 and 29. There will be a potluck supper on Saturday for campers as well as those who want to come to the supper. There is plenty of time to plan ahead, so give Shirley and Bruce a call to let them know you will be there.

The Big Dig is complete. According to the Mt. Dimmock Group, excavation of skid trails on the southern side of the mountain were completed by Jim Swan. Soon loggers will be harvesting the previously uncut area.

The Hanover Selectboard will meet on Tuesday, May 20, at the Town Office at 5 p.m. The Planning Board met May 7, where two

building permits for garages and outbuildings were issued. They also met with the code enforcement officer, John Gauthier.

Donna and Clem Worcester traveled to Lancaster, N.H. to attend the three-day Knights of Pythias of New Hampshire/Vermont Grand Lodge session. Traveling with them were Pat and Lawrence Young from Hancock and Supreme Vice Chancellor Ron Dickenson and his wife, Lena, from Nova Scotia.

North Newry



by Gil Seeley

Call to worship was held at the Newry Community Church Sunday morning, May 4, at 9 a.m., with Pastor Rodney Hanscom at the pulpit and daughter Nancy at the organ. The message of the day was, "Who is Jesus?" from St. John 10:30; "I and my Father are one." A prayer followed, communion, scripture readings by Owen Wight, Nancy, etc. Thought of the Day was by Sue Wight. Hymns, benediction, postlude, amen.

Karlene and Ras Bachelder's nephew, David, and Mary Stewart from Albion came to North Newry recently to visit them.

Happy birthday to Julie Littlefield, another relative of them.

Andover



by Joan Stinson Carney

Celebrate your birthday without getting older. The First Congregational Church of Andover will be celebrating everyone's birthday with a Birthday Supper on Saturday, May 17. First seating will be at 5 p.m. Ron Adam's special roast pork will be the main course, with an array of birthday cakes for dessert. There will be plenty of food for a second seating. Food and labor is donated. All proceeds will go to further the work of the church.

I want to welcome Minnie Akers back from her winter in Florida. She says she is glad to be back home.

Jean White is in Rumford Hospital. A card would be nice. Art Whitten is recovering from surgery at home; Olive is also recovering from her surgery. A card would be nice.

JoAnne Palmer is home from a visit with two of her sons in Kentucky. She had a wonderful time and even talked one of her sons to go to Bingo with her.

Darlene Hall is visiting with her daughter in Louisiana. What a great Mother's Day present.

Ismay Meecham's interment service will be held Friday, May 16 at 2 p.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery. Her sister, Edna Hilton, is in town visiting for a while.

ing for a while.

On Saturday, May 17, at 11 a.m. there will be an interment service for Charles Marston Jr. at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Elaine, Sandy and I want to thank Betty Moore for the mayflowers she brought us at the Town Office. Now I know that spring has finally sprung. They smell so wonderful.

We celebrated Mother's Day by going to the buffet at the Madison; if possible, the food was better than the last time we went. Roger and Dottie Mills and part of their family and Shirley Gammon and some of her family were also there. It was a delicious way to celebrate being a mother.

The Book of the Week is "The DaVinci Code" by author Dan Brown. It's a very different thriller and well worth reading. Some of the concepts in this book could be very controversial. Enough said. As usual you can borrow it from the Andover Public Library. See 'ya.

Upton



by Eleanor LeComte

Mother's Day has come and gone. Mothers deserve all the credit due them, but I would be remiss if I did not compliment the children who honored their mothers, making mom "Queen for the Day."

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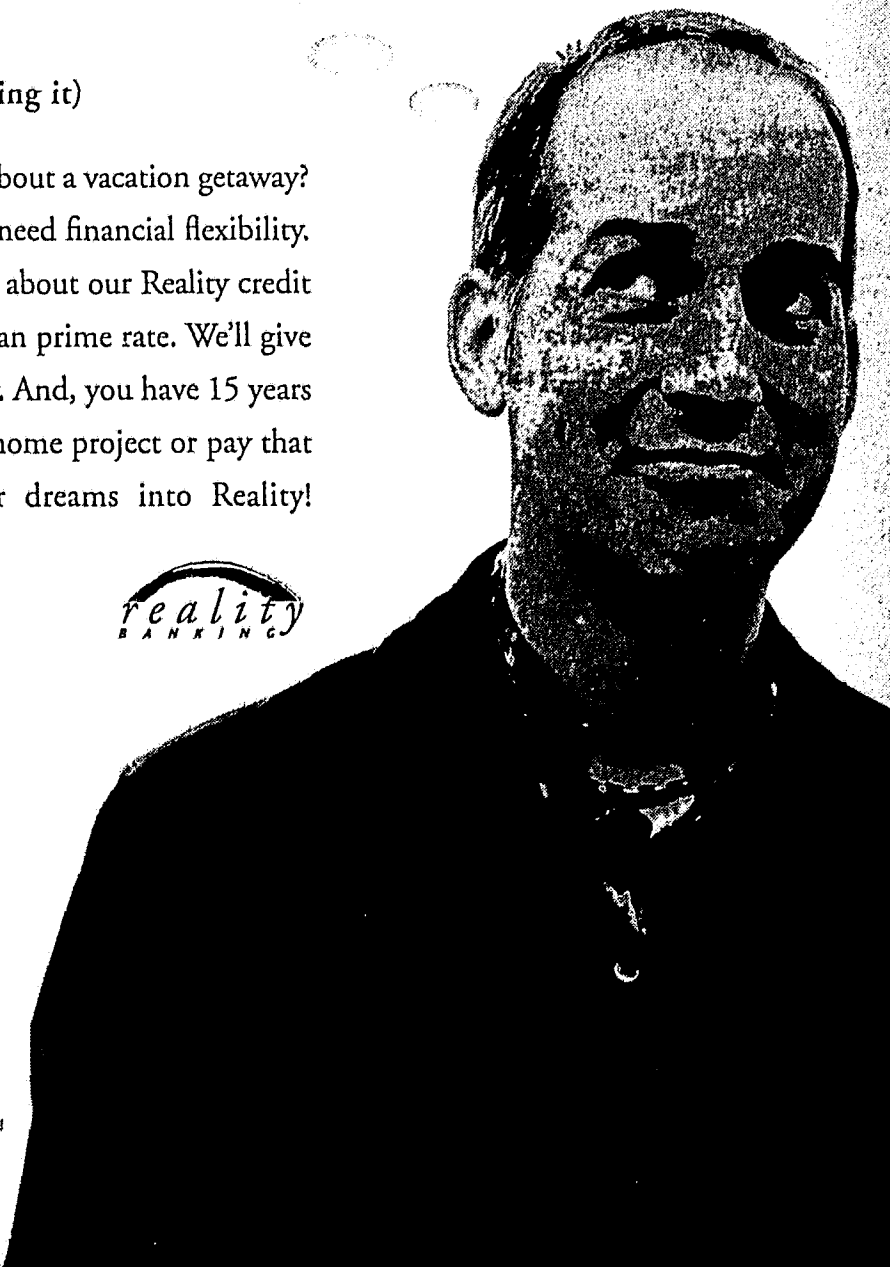
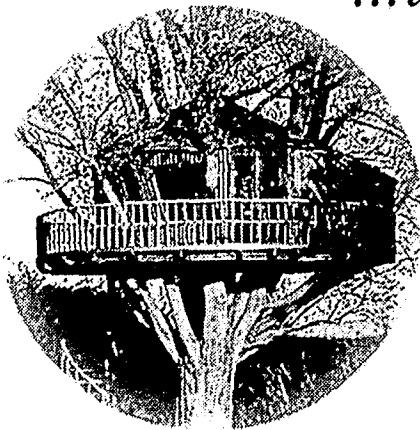
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spend most of the year in Fort Mead, Fla., a community not far from Daytona and New Smyrna. We wish them many more happy years together.

We are still experiencing some pretty cool days, but that did not deter the hummingbirds from arriving ahead of schedule. Walter Stanczyk reported the first sighting on Monday, May 5. Hummingbirds have good memories because they are always well fed with flowers and supplements at Stan and Liz's home. We think the first one was a scout because it disappeared and then returned in a few days with a "buddy hummer." The males arrive before the ladies and ferociously defend their territories. Little guys always have to fight harder.

I prepared my fancy oriole feeder, gift of Sandy Wixom, on Tuesday. It was completed with sweet nectar, an orange, and grape jelly. The red squirrel and the chipmunk have assumed that this was a "buffet" provided for them. The orange was scooped, the jelly consumed, and still not an oriole in sight. Sue Angevine has a pair of orioles, described as "just beautiful." She also says the rose breasted grosbeaks are here. OK, Sue, share them.

The pontoon boats are again popping up all over the cove. Thank you to Larry Nelson and Paul Casey for their valuable assistance in launching our "monster." Another thank you to Roger Lavalley for setting the dock in order. Who says getting old is awful? We never had this kind of help when we were young.

The fishing must have improved because the weekend brought lots of boats and fishermen to the boat landing at Sargent's Cove.

News from the D.O.T. is good. There are definite plans ahead to replace the old green bridge on East "B" Hill. The original bridge was designed by Homer Beecher and has stood the test of time for a good many years. Heavier truck traffic has weakened the bridge and has also taken a toll on the road surface on East "B" Hill.

The Board of Selectmen met on Tuesday, May 6. Property values have been updated and they hope to have the tax commitment completed the first week of June.

Last week, I reported seeing a boreal chickadee. Jeanette and Lionel Roy had a bush full of them on East "B" Hill.

This week and next we should be visited by quite a variety of warblers. According to Professor Brewster's papers, they arrive around the 15th of May. Many of the shorebirds are nesting. The robins have nests in every dooryard. "Ain't spring grand?" There is a pair of blue herons gracefully flying back and forth over the mouth of the river. Eagles circle Birch Point and the lake twice a day. Yesterday, we had a visiting hawk that garnered a blackbird for lunch. I couldn't determine what kind of hawk he was, but he can find his "free lunch" somewhere else. He is not a very popular bird and will never be "Bird of the Week."

Great news about Tim Aguilar — he is gaining in health every day. No more antibiotics and he has normal temperatures every day. Prayer and good wishes did the trick and of course topnotch medical care. Grandpa Dick Angevine turned 60 on May 12, and the good news on Tim was a very fitting gift.

The "Bird of the Week" is a hard sell this week but I think the Hummingbird wins first place.



LOCAL BUSINESS PROFILE

BETHEL'S BEST PIZZA AND ICE CREAM SHOP
Brau's Pizza and Subs, located on Route 2, was recently purchased by Scott and Robin Mills of Albany. The business, operated for 15 years by Rick Brau, will change its name to "Bethel's Best Pizza and Ice Cream Shop." The offerings, however, will remain the same. "Rick spent 15 years building the business. We're not going to try to fix something that's not broken," said Scott Mills. "We'll also continue providing Rick's famous 'off the menu specials,' and add a couple of our own." Mills, who worked for the American Skiing Co. until purchasing Brau's, owned a bar and grill 20 years ago in Jay. As for Brau, he said he plans to take it easy for a little while and then look for a 40-hour-a-week job — a change from the 60 to 80 hours he was putting in at the restaurant. He'll stay in the area and continue to own his home and property next to the restaurant, he said.

(Photo by Alison Aloisio)

Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt

Helvi Cary was in Bangor recently to attend the annual TRIAD summit seminar held at Husson College. Keynote speaker for the day was Gov. John Baldacci. Other speakers were Maine Attorney General Steve Rowe and Ricker Hamilton.

Services at the Bryant Pond Baptist Church are Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m., choir practice at 5:15 p.m. and evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. is prayer meeting and kids hour. On Sunday, May 25, John Hoag of New Brunswick Bible Institute will be speaker for all services.

Franklin Grange 124 met on Monday, May 5, for a regular meeting and Mother's Day program. Thirteen members were present. A good crowd attended the Hee Haw show held for benefit of the Grange. Proceeds were reported. TRIAD will hold their seniors' picnic at Fryeburg Fairgrounds on June 13 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided as well as speakers, drawings and a 50/50. Sick members were reported. Program was as follows: opening thought, Bertha DeHaas; opening song, "Great is Thy Faithfulness"; Bertha presented the oldest mothers with carnations, Lucy Robbins and Peggy Blake, most grandchildren, Lucy Robbins, youngest mother, Helvi Cary; reading, "Mother's Favorites from A to Z" by Lucy Robbins; Bertha gave each mother some pansies; reading, "My Grandmother Taught Me" by Peggy Blake; quiz by Bertha; closing thought and closing song, "Sing Your Way Home." The next meeting is May 19 for Deaf Awareness Program.

The Woodstock Extension Group will meet on Wednesday, May 21,

at the Town Conference Room at 1 p.m. with a tasting party. The program is on birds.

A good-sized crowd attended the hearing about closing Grove Street Crossing. Many comments were presented to keep it open. Thanks to Evelyn Bean for all her hard work.

Featured books at Whitman Memorial Library this week are "In the Maine Woods" by Alice Arlen, "Bronze Horsemen" by Paulina Simons, and the featured video is "The Thorn Birds."

Sympathy is extended to the family of John Cox Jr.

Don't forget the Woodstock High School Alumni Banquet to be held on June 7 at the American Legion Hall, Locke Mills, at 6 p.m. All Woodstock Alumni are invited but special guests are classes of 1933, 1943, 1953 and also Telstar seniors from Greenwood and Woodstock.

There will be a Memorial Day program and parade on Monday, May 26.

The Woodstock Historical Society notes Woodstock has had such famous citizens as Governor Sidney Perham, a daughter of a president, Fannie Hayes, author George Allen England, the Rev. Kinsman (a bishop), Captain John Dearborn and James Alger, a prominent military figure. Information on all of them is found in the museum. Thanks to the newspaper and its correspondents for including the Historical Society news. The society museum has a good collection of cookbooks, furniture, glass and china, decorative tins, quilts, etc. It has a fine research library. The society takes an interest in many subjects. It has papers of local historian, Ruby Emery, and has published two of her books and has them on sale. Curator Larry Billings recently sent handouts to society members.

Locke Mills



by Lorraine Larson

Ralph Mills and I attended a cookout, Sunday afternoon, at the home of Laura Hutchins.

Laura and I graduated in the same class at Gould Academy but really never got to know each other very well, so it was nice to have the opportunity to get to know her better. Also present was her daughter, Lorene Cobb, her granddaughter, Miranda McClain and son, Ricky McClain, and Matt Conkright. It was a gorgeous day for a picnic with sunny skies and cool breezes and everybody seemed to enjoy it.

The paperclip office assistant is resting his eyes on his arms. I think he is trying to tell me that I am too wordy and he is bored. I get such a kick out of him. I'm glad he is there.

When you see Chick Fitzmorris ask her what her sister got her for her birthday, which was May 5.

I asked my cousin, Frank Flint, if the big storms hit his area, as there were warnings out in Georgia and he said that they got some really scary thundershowers but they did not have any tornadoes. He said they were too close for comfort though. I may get discouraged with our weather sometimes but I still think Maine is a good place to live weatherwise and otherwise.

South Woodstock



by Andrea Wing

We were saddened by the death of one of our South Woodstock residents, John Cox (Johnny). Johnny had lived here all his life and everyone knew him. He leaves a wife, Carol, and five children and many grandchildren. He'll be greatly missed by everyone. My husband, Richard, talked with him on the phone several times the last few months and will miss his lively exchange of views.

Evelyn Bean Mason died this past week. Evelyn was in Woodstock High School at the same time I was. Billy, her husband, graduated the same year as I did. She was always full of life and fun to be around. She'll be missed by her many friends and family.

Troy Wing is stationed at Kadena Air Force Base in Japan as a pilot. He has been in the Air Force for seven years. His wife, Lorie, and son, Travis, who is three years old, also live in Japan with him. His parents, Gary and Jeannine of South Woodstock, visited them this past summer. Another son, Todd, is teaching physical education in Portland at Holy Cross and St. Patrick's elementary schools.

A good crowd attended the REACH luncheon and model show at Bethel Inn on May 4. The show is done every year to help raise

funds for the organization. A Chinese auction is also held that day. The models are all ages. I plan to attend each year. My granddaughter, Sarah Hart Lynch, was one of the models. Sara was recently selected as Mrs. Maine USA and will be competing in Las Vegas later this summer for Mrs. USA. We wish her good luck.

Quote of the Week: "I've learned that you never ask a tire salesman if you need new tires."

Greenwood City



by Rena Curtis

I missed getting news in again last week, as I was recuperating from being in the hospital. I have been staying with my granddaughter and husband, Karen and Gary Green, in Freeport. I am much better at this writing and will be going home this weekend.

I was home for last weekend. I came up with my daughter and husband, Lillian and Glenn Strait. We had a lot of company on Saturday, their friends from Lewiston, Jeannine and Richard of Freeport, also Troy and Amy Cogswell and family of Freeport. Carl Curtis came up for coffee with us and also Albert and Marie Curtis. Sunday, Glenn and Lillian Strait and I came back down here. My son-in-law, Stephen Cogswell, was up to see me.

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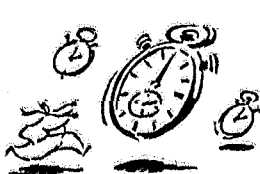
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Inman and family on the loss of Miriam.
That's it for this week. Have a safe and happy week.

West Paris

by Joyce Lamb
The tiny daffodils are still fighting up the small garden in the front. The larger ones are out, also. The very small star-flowers are coming up among the crocuses and the tulip leaves. Lily of the valley plants are also promising us that they will be fragrant soon. Bloodroot with its white blossoms and red sap in the stems is everywhere out back of the house. The large green leaves form a nice foliage for the summer. It doesn't take long for them to take over the whole area.

The rhubarb is growing. The annual Rhubarb Pie Sale at the Universalist Church is set for May 17 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Other goodies will be offered. Come and get your pies.

On May 18, at 9 a.m., Joe Perham will lead the service at the Universalist Church. His topic will be: "A Man Called Cab." Jim Burke is organist.

Beryl Bonney and I were in Auburn Friday for groceries and enjoyed lunch out.

The streets have been swept. Now we can wash windows and get the screens on. It is helpful that they wet the area before sweeping which cuts down on the dust.

There is a shortage of news here in West Paris. Everyone must be clearing their lawns and setting out plants.

Buffy is shedding and working off his knotted fur. Guess he heard me say he needed a haircut at the vet's.

West Paris

by Bertha DeHaas
Greetings friends. We seem to be having "April Showers" in May. This is good, as it will help fill our wells and alleviate the fire danger. Many of us remember 1947 (the Year Maine Burned) and don't ever want a repeat of that.

Saturday, May 3, was the 80th birthday of Richard G. Felt of Bryant Pond. He was honored with a cake, May basket and other gifts at intermission time at the mock Hee-Haw Show at Franklin Grange Hall in Bryant Pond. The beautiful birthday cake was made and decorated by Peggy Blake of West Paris.

The mock Hee Haw Show played to a packed hall on Saturday, May 3. Featured in the show were: Ginger Dyer of Corinna, Bill Rice of Sumner, the Scoggin Cloggers of Bethel, Erlon Hadley and Keith and Lon Wing, Eric Wight, Kenny Nolin, the Richard G. Felt Band, Whistling Dot Canwell, humorous skits by the above musicians plus

Peggy Blake, Olive Risko and Laura Hutchins. Laura Hutchins, as Minnie Pearl, was also the M.C. A great time was had by all.

The West Paris Senior Citizens met at noon on Tuesday, May 6, at the West Paris Baptist Church for a most sumptuous potluck luncheon followed by the monthly meeting and a nice Mother's Day program under the direction of Anna Swan. Well done, Anna.

There was a very special meeting on Tuesday evening, May 6, at the West Paris Historical Society building in regard to the West Paris Library and West Paris Grange and the proposed sewer system (septic tanks and leach bed) and the parking lot that will be placed out back between the two buildings. Chairman Rodney Abbott read the "Mission Statement" regarding this. Joseph Makely has written for a grant from the Maine Community Foundation. This is the first step in a very long process to get the project off the ground.

The parking lot will be a municipal parking lot benefiting all of the surrounding organizations and businesses. The next meeting on this will be June 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the Historical Society building on Main Street.

The advent of spring brings us many different visitors — a myriad of bird varieties, coons, foxes, baby deer with their mothers, skunks (phew!) and now a mother bear with her two cubs. On the evening of May 2 it was warm, the peepers were singing, and your reporter decided to sleep on her screened-in porch. All was peaceful until 3 a.m. Soon the nocturnal stillness was

shattered by noise like you would not believe. Though there was not food in the winter feeders, mother bear felt there should have been. She became outraged, shaking the trellises so violently that she even broke the top back of the garage open as well as ruining the trellises. Her growls sent shivers up my spine. She stands six feet tall and I am told she probably weighs between 200 and 250 pounds. She has wandered our neighborhood for about a week and seems to have gone back into the woods, which the game warden said she probably would.

If you see cubs, do not approach them. Mother cannot be far away, and she is fiercely protective of her cubs.

Albany

by Dana & Sheila Dyke
Hello once again from Albany Township. Last Friday, the youth groups held their annual slumber parties, with the teenagers at the Hall, the little girls over at Pam's and the boys over at Dana's. Not much "zzzzzz" time was had, that is for sure — for both kids and adults. But, we think that everyone who attended had a good time. We got out of it easier than the others — we only had one boy, other than our David. Pam had six little girls, and Holle and Fernand had almost the entire teen group at the hall. Then, after having the kids up all night, we took the

teens to the Market Square Nursing Home where they sang to a few of the residents. Despite the fact that only a few attended, it was still well worth the time and effort to go. Probably was a good thing, too, as the kids were still a bit tired from Friday night (Sheila noticed more than a couple of yawns during the set). Next month, it's to the Norway Rehabilitation Center for the kids.

Sheila had a lovely Mother's Day (thank you), Dana and the kids got her a large bouquet of white roses and the biggest Mother's Day card she's seen. David made her a lovely card as well. It was so nice going into the kitchen and to smell the flowers. After services on Sunday, Jackie Gammon and Margaret Barton handed out carnations to all of the mothers as well.

Monday was a cold, wet and rainy day. So what did we do during our lunch breaks? We drove our bikes to the DMV in Mexico to do our motorcycle licensing tests. We passed (it wasn't raining during the test, fortunately), then had to drive back to Bethel to drop Sheila off at work and, of course, it rained the ride home. Ahhhh well, makes for an interesting story to tell the grandkids.

Dyana-Marie Dyke started horseback riding lessons at Diane Ward's farm up the road from us. We think that she's enjoying it (if "We need a horse" is any indication). She's always had a natural gift with animals, so, we're not too surprised at how quickly she's taking to the riding. Diane Ward is a great teacher as well (thanks, Diane).

The youth group is still in need of donations for their yard sale for the summer months. Anything would be greatly appreciated. Just give us, or Pam Rugg or Holle Corriveau a call to make arrangements for drop off or pick up. We're sure something can be arranged.

The Youth Group will be going to J.A.M. Fest at Fun Town on the 24th of May. There will be rides, games, and music (Christian bands playing on six stages), junk food and fun. The Youth Group earned

the money to go from proceeds from last year's yard and bake sales.
Best wishes for a happy and safe week. God Bless.

East Stoneham

by Eleanor Nelson
Hi readers, On Wednesday, May 7, 20 members of the North Waterford Friendly

Senior Citizens met at the Lo Mack restaurant in Oxford for their meeting and lunch. It was a nice gathering and a good meal. The next meeting will be with a cookout at the North Waterford Church on the first Wednesday of the month of June. Hope you all can make it. I believe June 13 is the TRIAD meeting and lunch at the Fryeburg Fairgrounds. I'll get more details before that date for you. July will be at the North Waterford Fairgrounds. A get well card was signed by the members for an ill member of the group to be sent to her.

The selectmen of Stoneham have agreed at their last meeting that the Keewaydin Dam needs repairs, which will cost about \$5,000 to \$7,000. There is a crack under the spillway that is getting larger and the concrete needs attention and a lot of work to be done on it before it gets much worse. The work on the Mill Pond Dam isn't finished yet. It's always something, isn't it?

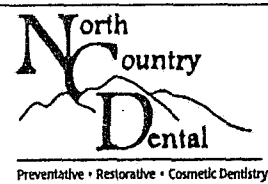
Don't forget, people, if you want to keep your winter decorations and flowers from the cemetery, please remove them before May 17, as the sexton will be cleaning up the cemetery for Memorial Day. Usually the date is before Mother's Day, so people can put fresh ones up.

On May 21, D.U.V. members will be meeting at the K of P Hall here in Stoneham for monthly meeting and Memorial program. May 17 is the Family Banquet at

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Barry Andrews has been working for Albert Nelson Sr. recently.

I am still waiting for the dandelion greens and the hummingbirds. The horrid ticks are out in full force. What can we do about them?

If anyone is interested, there is a walk-a-thon taking place on May 24, starting at Kosis for St. Jude's Children's Hospital. You can help on this by giving donations or sponsoring a walker there or by sending it to Viola at 179 Chadbourne Road, Waterford, ME 04088 and it will be much appreciated. Thank you.

From the

Western Mountains Senior College

There will be a Senior College Summer Conference in Presque Isle July 13-15. Material is now available for registration. Senior College members may choose from an exciting array of classes taught by selected Senior College faculty. There will also be discussions on management and development of Senior College programs around the state. Accommodations will be available from UMPI at their residence halls for \$30 per night, or at hotels in nearby locations; costs may vary. Bus transportation will be available, at a cost of \$60, from the Lewiston/Auburn area. Pre-registration for the conference is required, and due by June 30. Go to the Senior College Web site www.maineseniorcollege.org for more information.

In June, Rabbi Harry Sky will offer a six-day ITV class on Hope and Despair. The course will analyze these basic human feelings using Biblical and Jungian psychological vantage points. All sessions will be available for a fee of \$25, payable to Western Mountains Senior College, at Telstar's ITV site. Each of the six sessions will be followed by a chance to talk about the subject with the other students. Times and dates are as follows: June 3, 5, 6 and 10, 12, 13 (Tuesday, Thursday and Friday) from 8:15 to 9:15 a.m. with discussion to be held afterward. Pre-registration is advised so that the textbook, "Answer to Job" by Carl Jung, may be purchased in advance of the classes. Call the Adult Education office at Telstar at 824-2780.

At the Bethel Library, there soon will be a shelf that holds all the textbooks used by the current and past courses of the Western Mountains Senior College. These books are available for anyone in the community to read to be informed and to learn. We hope that by shar-

ing, we will generate interest in future classes not only for people to gain knowledge; but, also, we hope that we will find people who might be willing to teach a topic that interests them.

From the

Mahoosuc Arts Council

Plans are underway for this year's July 19th Mollycoddett Day celebration being sponsored by the Mahoosuc Arts Council.

Mollycoddett Day will feature the annual parade; the theme this year is "The Good Olde Days," as well as races of all kinds, arts and crafts, great entertainment, plenty of food, contests galore including frog jumping, fiddling, and fireworks at dusk.

Anyone interested in sponsoring a food, arts and crafts, game, ride or a community organization booth on the Bethel Common should call the Mahoosuc Arts office at 824-3575 to request an application form.

From the

District Exchange

The District Exchange and Food Pantry are looking forward to the spring and summer season and would like to remind those with items to donate of the following guidelines: please bring items that are in season, clean and in wearable condition. Please do not bring yard sale leftovers, electronic or sports equipment, or household items. Please bring items during the hours that the exchange is open. Hours are: Monday 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday 3 to 5 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. to noon.

The Food Pantry has been the beneficiary of several food drives recently and is quite well stocked. Manager Erika Penczer would welcome some non-food items such as paper products, diapers, sanitary items, dish soap and basic cleaning supplies. All items must be in unopened packages. Students from Interact, the West Parish Congregational Youth Group, and Reach Out at Gould Academy have been helping in a variety of ways.

Cathy Newell and Maryvonne Wheeler visited the Bethel Rotary meeting on May 13 to receive the \$5,000 check from the district governor as a result of grants written by local Rotarian Bob Laux. These funds will be used for a variety of individual needs including unreim-

bursed health expenses, travel to hospitals, dentures, etc. as well as for non-tuition expenses associated with furthering an adult's education. Referrals are made through local clergy, town officials, adult education staff or to District Exchange Board members. The District Exchange is very grateful to the Bethel Rotary for these funds, which will greatly expand the funds available from the Thrift Shop profits.

From the

Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

Volunteers are terrific, especially when they are willing to "drop everything" and come and help with a big mailing. This was the case this past week when our faithful volunteer, Ginny Walker, came in to help get our huge newsletter out. Thank you, Ginny.

Many thanks to Cynthia Moran-Laux for coordinating the Awards Selection Committee again this year.

Make your reservations now for the Awards Dinner, to be held at the Grand Summit Hotel at Sunday River on Friday, May 30. A delicious full buffet dinner featuring roast prime rib, salmon, and a vegetable strudel, a full evening of recognition and networking, and the greatest silent auction yet can be had for \$30 per person. Tables of eight are available as well. Call the chamber office at 824-2282 to reserve your seat at this wonderful annual event. The chamber accepts checks or credit cards and prepayment is requested with the RSVP by Friday, May 23.

The chamber is pleased to be co-sponsoring a Marketing Seminar with the Maine Tourism Association on Thursday, May 22, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Bethel Alliance Church. This event is free and lunch will be provided. All are invited to come learn about the many marketing opportunities and programs available through both the Maine Tourism Association and the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce. An RSVP is necessary by Friday, May 16, by calling the chamber office.

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Nash Realty Trust, Lorraine Nash, Trustee, PO Box 3342, Fayville, MA, 01745 has filed an application for a Road Construction Permit with the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission pursuant to provisions of 12 MRSA Section 685-B to:

This application is to provide a common driveway to two lots proposed by the applicant. The construction is limited to the property of the applicant, is about 1,900 feet in length. Grubbing, stumping, filling and providing a gravel travelway will be included in the construction activity in Milton Plantation (Map OX 18, Plan 1, Lot 30). The application will be filed for public inspection at the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission Office in Augusta on: May 12, 2003.

Written comments or requests for hearings should be sent to the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission, State House Station 22, Augusta, Maine 04333, within two weeks of filing of the application to receive consideration. For additional information, please contact the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission staff by calling (207) 287-2631 or, toll free from within Maine, by calling 1-800-452-8711.



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Want to brush up on your customer service skills or do you know of someone who could benefit from this? The chamber's education committee is working with CMTC's Corporate and Community Services office to present a topnotch Customer Service Seminar on Wednesday, June 11, from 8 a.m. to noon. The \$59 per person fee includes this professionally facilitated class, a related textbook to take home, coffee and refreshments. Call the office for details on registration.

All members and friends are invited to the May Business After Hours on Thursday, May 22, at A Prodigal Inn & Gallery, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Beverages and refreshments will be offered, as well as tours of the lovely inn and gardens. Owners Tom and Marcey White hope to see you.

From the

Bethel Rotary Club

This week in Rotary was Club Assembly with each of the Avenues of Service reporting.

Club Service announced an upcoming social to recognize the honored guests of The Mowerys and former Belgium student Bene Farnard. The club is invited to a Pre-District Conference Cookout on May 22 at the Sunday River Inn.

The committee is planning a Family Day for sometime this summer.

Dave Preble announced that the polio eradication campaign is wrapping up. He is looking for the club to meet its goal of raising \$6,000.

Vocational Service has received applications for RYLA and they will be looking to sponsor three persons to attend the upcoming Chamber Customer Service Training Program.

International Service reminded all that the GSE Team from India will be the program on May 27. The board voted to contribute to the famine situation in Africa as well as sponsor two students to attend the World Affairs Seminar in Wisconsin. This is a three-day conference for youths from all over the world sponsored by service organizations such as Rotary.

Community Service announced a save the Art Fair date of July 5 where we will be having a food booth. The clock project is progressing with easement review now back to Key Bank and a site plan being completed.

Recently, Rob Manning and Scott Brown shared information on the Bethel Recreation (Rec) Board and its programs.

The Bethel Rec Board is composed of seven members, including Rob and Scott. The programs offered include swimming, baseball,

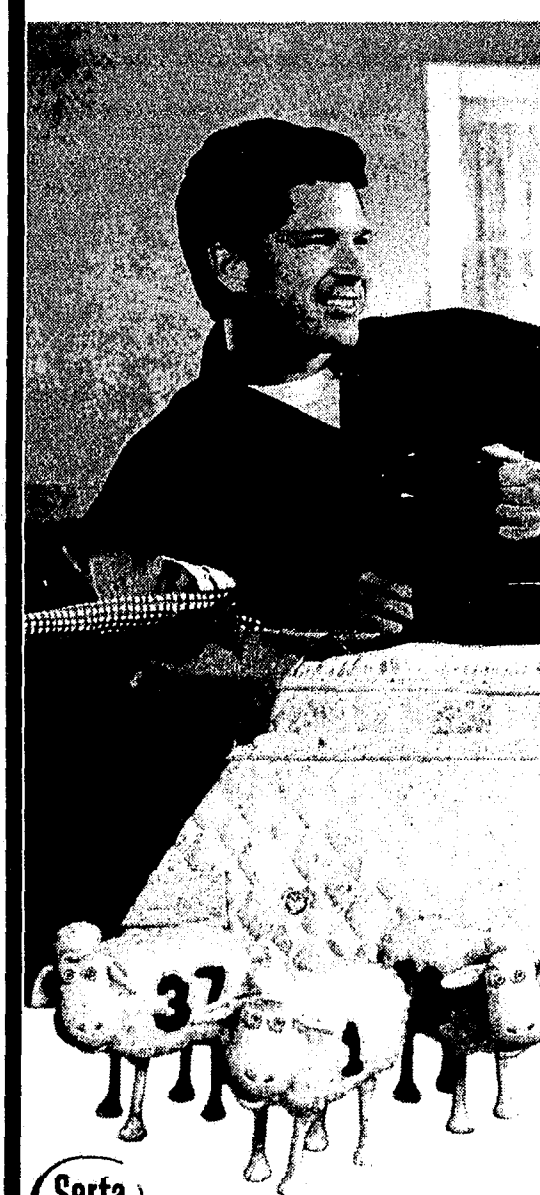
soccer, tennis, cross-country skiing through CPS, basketball, canoeing for all ages, golf as well as care for the ice rink. The goal of the Bethel Rec Board is to provide athletic and recreational opportunities for youth and adults in the area while being safe and having fun. Three programs that Scott and Rob expounded on were baseball, soccer, and basketball.

Baseball has the greatest number of participants and Bethel is part of the Andy Valley League. The baseball program is well established and is used as a model for other Bethel programs. This year, there were nine teams aged five through 17 totaling 145 kids. There's T-ball for the youngest kids where fun and success are the focus. In the Rookie League where the coaches pitch, emphasis is a little more skill-based. Then there's Minor League where it becomes a little more competitive and it goes from there up through Babe Ruth. Organization for this program begins in early March.

The soccer program began four years ago with 40 players; this year it was up to 75 players. Focus for this program is fun, fundamentals, sportsmanship, and team. This is a Saturday morning program from September through November. Andy Biggs and Brett Shiffrin have been instrumental in forwarding this program. Next year, the pro-

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gram will explore a new level and form a U-10 Travel team. The team will compete with other central Maine teams.

Basketball is a new program. Surprisingly, 45 kids signed-up last year and it ended up being a 10-week program. The Rec Board hopes interest in this program continues and looks to organize it into age and teams-based for next year.

Both Scott and Rob are quick to credit volunteers. Without the volunteers, together with the support from the community and area businesses, these programs just would not be available. They are grateful to Gould and SAD44 for use of their facilities. The board is always open to new ideas; in fact, in recent weeks, a new running program for girls has started.

In response to questions, the Rec programs for kids traditionally serve the ages of fifth through sixth grade. Kids from the area are welcome to participate, although there is a higher fee for non-Bethel children. The only exception is in the baseball program because of the Andy Valley League rules.

The 8th annual Oxford Networks and Norway Savings Bank Bethel Rotary Golf Challenge is Monday, June 23. Everyone is welcomed with registration at noon and a shotgun start at 1 p.m. at the Bethel Inn and Country Club. Event features include an 18-hole four-ball scramble format, riding carts for all players, Hole-In-One Contest, Rotary Club Challenge for teams with Rotarians, and over \$1,000 in prizes for the top teams, plus door prizes and giveaways.

Rotarians from 40 area clubs will converge at The Grand Summit at Sunday River Resort on May 22-25. It's a Small World — Friends are Forever is the theme of District 7780's Annual Conference being held at that time. It will be also at that time that the Group Study Exchange Team from India will be visiting our area.

Happy May Birthdays to Alison Aloisio, Romeo Baker, Al Barth,

Kraig Buthy, Walter Hatch, Anita Remington, Pat Roma, Michele Varuolo, and Rick Whitney.

The Rotary Club of Bethel meets weekly at 7:30 a.m. at the Bethel Inn and Country Club.

From the

Bethel Library

The Bethel Library's 2003 Annual Fund gratefully acknowledges donations from the following individuals and businesses toward the goal of \$13,000 to be raised by June 30. Individual contributions have been received recently from: Richard and Wendy Penley, Kevin and Margie Finley, Dean and Priscella Walker, and Al and Genesta Tanguay. To date more than 200 donations have been received by the Annual Fund for a total of more than \$11,000. The Annual Fund Committee will be working hard in the next month to reach the goal in a year when a poor economy and state cutbacks have had a direct impact on institutions such as the library.

Donations to the 2003 Annual Fund will be used to fund the continued improvement to the building, including the stacks area and waterproofing the basement, as well as supporting increased staffing, and may be sent to Box 130, Bethel, ME 04217.

From the

Oxford County Retired Teachers

The Oxford County Retired Teachers Association will meet at the Oxford Legion Hall on Friday, May 16 at 10:30 a.m. There will be a plant sale after members bring in their variety of house and garden seedlings or plants for others to buy, with the money going to the scholarship fund. Three high school seniors in different schools will be



ALAN BUCKMAN SR. HONORED

Landstar System, Inc., of Jacksonville, Fla., a safety-first non-asset based transportation capacity provider, has named business capacity owner (BCO) Alan Buckman Sr. a Landstar Roadstar. Buckman was recognized for his achievement at a dinner in his honor during Landstar's annual convention in Miami, Fla., this month. A Roadstar is the highest level of recognition in the Landstar system. The term "business capacity owner" refers to Landstar's small business contractors who supply the company with the equipment used to haul freight.

Roadstars are honored for their consistently high levels of safety and productivity as well as their excellent customer service. Only a select few are recognized each year. Out of more than 7,000 Landstar BCOs, 17 were chosen for the 2002 class, raising the number of Landstar Roadstars to 249 since the company began presenting the award in 1990.

Buckman lives in Bryant Pond with his wife, Susie. They have been married 33 years and have one grown child and three grandchildren. When he is not on the road, Buckman spends his spare time hunting, fishing and playing with his grandchildren.

awarded \$300 college scholarships with those funds.

President Marilyn Leighton will lead the meeting, which will include an installation of new officers and President-elect Jean Boyd and her officers will be introduced.

Marjorie Kimball and Jeannie Horton will lead the annual memorial ceremony honoring retired teachers who died within the last year. There will be a fine dinner at noon that will be followed by a musical program.

New members are always welcome. Reservations are obtained by phoning Marilyn Leighton at 743-7677.

From the

Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

Dr. Joel Eastman, Professor

Emeritus at the University of Southern Maine, was the featured speaker at the first of the Bethel Historical Society's 2003 Lecture Series on this year's theme, "Transportation in Maine History." His topic was "The Cumberland and Oxford Canal, 1830-1870."

Using slides of old photos, maps and related text, Dr. Eastman began the story of the canal in 1791 with a Massachusetts Legislative study declaring a canal from Portland to Sebago Lake a feasible project. In 1795 a corporation was created to build a canal with a capitalization of \$20,000. The 1807 economic depression killed this first attempt at canal building in Maine, but the success of the Erie Canal (1815-1825) in New York stirred new interest. In 1821 the Maine Legislature chartered the Cumberland and Oxford Canal Corporation at \$120,000. In 1823, construction estimated at \$130,000 began, but actually cost \$206,500, the most expensive project in Maine history at the time. From the beginning, the

canal was plagued by its cost and lack of adequate income. Stock was sold to raise income, but that only resulted in gaining \$31,000. A lottery was tried to produce income without success. It brought in only \$27,000. Land was acquired by eminent domain and construction began in 1827 with Irish laborers digging by hand and assisted by oxen completing the canal, 34 feet wide and four feet deep to accommodate the flat-bottomed boats, which also boasted sails. Money problems still threatened the project, so in 1829, the Canal Bank (formed in 1825) loaned the Canal Corporation \$73,000 to complete construction. By 1830 when the canal began operations from Portland to Long Lake in Harrison there were 28 locks and an aqueduct over Little River. The canal never reached Oxford County (Thomas Pond, now Keoka in Waterford), which was originally intended, but costs proved prohibitive.

There were 150 canal boats in operation. The canal did increase land values in the interior, reduced transportation costs, and aided economic growth. However, the com-

ing of the railroad sealed the fate of the canal and by the 1850s it had defaulted on its loans. The bank foreclosed and sold the canal for \$40,000. By 1870, the Portland & Ogdensburg Railroad was extended to Sebago Lake and the canal was forced to cease operations. Its boats continued, however, to operate on Sebago and Long Lakes until 1900. The Cumberland and Oxford's Songo Lock at Naples was enlarged in 1911 and still operates today. In 1978, the Cumberland and Oxford Canal was named a Civil Engineering Landmark by the American Society of Civil Engineers.

In closing his lecture, Dr. Eastman cited a number of books and other sources for those interested in further information. Among them are Hayden L.V. Anderson, "Canals And Inland Waterways Of Maine" and Ernest H. Knight, "A Guide To The Cumberland & Oxford Canal."

All elementary students in SAD44 are reminded to participate in the 24th annual Faye Taylor Memorial Art Show to be held at the Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center on May 24, beginning at 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. This year's theme is the arrival of airplanes in Bethel in the 1920s. All entries must be at the society's O'Neil Robinson House by 3 p.m. on Friday, May 23, for consideration. Prizes will be awarded in three divisions at three levels. For further information, please call the society at 824-2908 or e-mail info@bethelhistorical.org

Also on May 24, the society will be having its annual St. Never's Day Sale on the side porch of the Robinson House beginning at 9 a.m. and extending into the afternoon. Those having useable items (except clothing) that they wish to donate are invited to leave them on the porch anytime. For items that need to be picked up, please call the society office (824-2908). Volunteers to help with the sale are also needed as well.

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Sealed bids marked "Fire Truck" will be accepted at the Town Office until 5pm on Tuesday, May 20, 2003, at which time they will be opened and read. The selectmen reserve the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

2. The former Fire Station Building on Railroad Street in Bryant Pond Village. It is located on Railroad Street, just two buildings down from the Bryant Pond Post Office. It is a two story 25'x50' concrete block, steel beam and wood structure, with a concrete floor. The second level is finished for a meeting room and contains a partial kitchen. The property is shown as Map 16, Lot 32 on the Woodstock Property Tax Maps. The Building is in need of some repair. There are no working septic or water systems. For further information, you may contact Vern at the Woodstock Town Office at 665-2868 or Fire Chief Bill Seames at 665-2344.

Sealed bids marked "Former Fire Station" will be accepted at the Town Office until 5pm on Tuesday, May 20, 2003, at which time they will be opened and read. The Selectmen are setting \$20,000 as the minimum bid and reserve the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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School Sports

High School Baseball

Gould 13, CVA 0; May 12—Jason Mowery and Anthony Liberti combined for a one-hit, 11-strikeout, no walks pitching masterpiece. Liberti, Bill Murphy, and T.J. Savage each had two hits in the game. All nine Gould starters scored at least one run in the first inning, and Quinn McAllister and Kane Olson each scored twice. One of Savage's hits was a home run, while Kane Olson and Dan Tutor each doubled in the game. —coach Chris Olson

Gould 13, Telstar 2; May 13—"The Gould Academy baseball team is peaking at the perfect time, continuing to play excellent ball," said coach Chris Olson, after the Huskies defeated the Telstar Rebels in five innings. "The deciding, seven-run third inning began on Anthony Liberti's blast to right center and ended with Kane Olson's three run homer to center," said Olson. "Anthony, Karl Olson, and Quinn McAllister all had two hits while Kane and Quinn combined to hold the Rebels to three hits as they struck out eight."

Telstar 4, Monmouth 1; May 7—Telstar's Terry Collins pitched a two-hitter and Travis Brooks, Kinsey Durgin and Casey Fleet had hits in a win over Monmouth.

High School Varsity Softball

Telstar 10, Mt. Abram 7; May 9—Jillian Kimball was the winning pitcher and had three hits, including two doubles. Tiffany Jordan had three hits, including a triple. Katie Swasey also had three hits, as did Liz Rosenberg. Jessie Farrington drove in three runs with two hits. "The defense played very well," said coach Jim Lunney.

Telstar 9, Monmouth 3; May 7—Meagan Lunney had three doubles, Liz Rosenberg two and Tiffany Jordan one in a win over Monmouth. Jillian Kimball was the winning pitcher. Lunney had two RBIs.

High School J.V. Softball

Telstar 15, Dirigo 14; May 10—Telstar came from behind in the last inning to defeat Dirigo. Sarah Farnum led off the inning with a hit, and was driven in by Kayla Mills for the tying run. Mills scored the winning run on a hit by Chelsea Cozzolino. Cozzolino had five hits, Kara Jacques four, Kayla Mills three and Sarah Farnum two.

High School Boys' Track

Meet at Carrabec, May 12: Valley 88, Carrabec 77, Telstar 51, Livermore Falls 34—Telstar scorers: 400m: (1. Hibbard of Valley, 59.70) 3. Giguere (Telstar) 1:00.86, 800m: 1. Bailey (Telstar) 2:19.23; 2. Farrington (Telstar) 2:25.67, 1600m: 1. Bailey (Telstar) 5:04.02; 2. Farrington (Telstar) 5:15.36, 3200m: 1. Farrington (Telstar) 12:52.42, 3200m relay: 1. Telstar 9:39.96, Javelin: (1. Demaray of LF, 154-0) 5. Tanguay (Telstar) 102-7.5.

High School Girls' Track

Meet at Carrabec, May 12:—Carrabec 75, Valley 63, Telstar 33, Livermore Falls 28, Telstar scorers: 400m (1. Strickland of Valley, 1:18.74) 3. Zimmerman (Telstar) 1:22.09, 800m: 1. Bolstridge (Telstar) 2:59.74, 1600m: 1. Bolstridge (Telstar) 6:46.74, Long jump: (1. Kaldro of Carrabec, 11-9.75) 4. Carmichael (Telstar) 9-7.75.

TMS Baseball

Mt. Valley 10, Telstar 0; May 9—Jono Estes had Telstar's only hit, a double, in a loss to Mt. Valley.

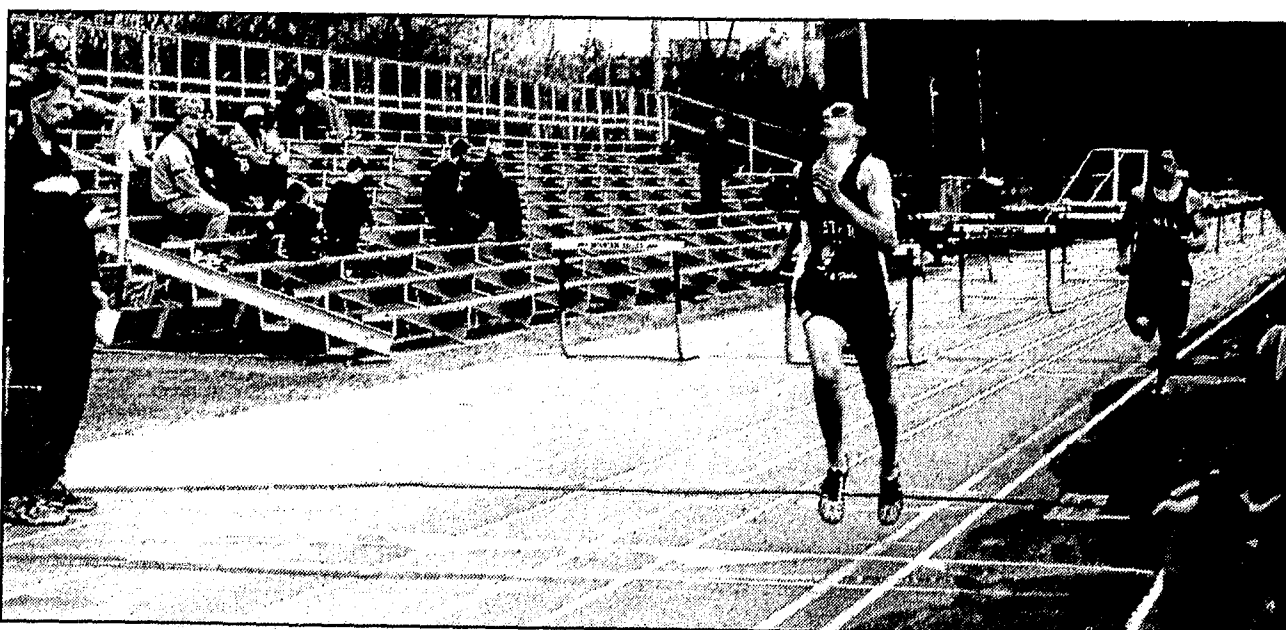
Telstar 16, Jay 5; May 8—Telstar's Mike Daily had a home run and a single, while Allen Buck had four singles, Ryan Kimbal three and Owen Barter two in a win over Jay. Buck pitched the whole game and had three strikeouts. "Persistent pitching and good hitting were the keys to the game," said coach Tim O'Connor.

TMS Softball

Telstar 20, Gorham 10; May 12—The Telstar offense was paced by a three-hit effort from Kayla Damon and a home run from Josie Reiss in a win over Gorham. "Solid pitching efforts from Whitney Mills and Candace Hall kept Gorham off the bases," said coach Mark Kenney. "Another great team effort and complete game."

Telstar 15, Mt. Valley 3; May 9—Telstar's Whitney Mills pitched the entire game, with three strikeouts, and also had three hits in a win over Mt. Valley. Kara Thurlow and Nikki Hughes also had three hits, and Joseline Belanger, Vicki Rice and Josie Reiss had two each. "Great defense from Hughes behind the plate, throwing out two runners," said coach Mark Kenney. "Abby Hutchins made two nice catches in right to help anchor an error-free game. Everyone on the team played extremely well and supported each other nicely."

Jay 19, Telstar 7; May 8—Telstar's Kayla Fitzmorris had a triple, and Kara Thurlow and Joseline Belanger each had two hits in a loss to Jay. "Candace Hall did some great relief despite the loss," said coach Mark Kenney. "This game was a great learning experience for our team, which has not really faced any competition to this point in the young season."



RELAY ANCHOR MAN—Telstar's Fred Bailey finishes the 4x800-meter relay race at last week's track meet at Mountain Valley High School. The Rebels placed second in the race. (Photo by Alison Aloisio)

TMS Boys' Track

Meet at Jay, May 7—Telstar won a meet with Jay, Mt. Valley and Dixfield. Individual results: Charles Haines, first in discus (107-10), first in shotput (36-2); Dan Ojeda, third in 100m (13.3), first in long jump (15-3), third in shotput (34-0); Patrick Gallagher, fourth in 100m (14.5), fourth in 200m (33.7); Jonathon Parsons, fourth in 1600m (6:12.5), fourth in high jump (4-2), second in triple jump (29-6); John Lewis, fourth in 400m (1:14.1), third in 200m (22.8); Alex Gundersen, fifth in 200m (36.9), fourth in 800m (3:15.5); Michael Wiggins, first in 800m racewalk (5:48.1), fifth in 800m (3:26.4); Terry Gordon, second in 55m hurdles (10.0), fifth in shotput (27-4); Mat Lauro, second in 800m racewalk (5:48.1); Jimmy Gibson, fourth in discus (69-2); James Kimball, sixth in discus (59-7); Ben Rosenberg, sixth in shotput (24-5); A.J. Hebert, third in triple jump (25-3); 4X100 relay team of Ojeda, Gordon, Lewis, Tommy Bordeaux, second (57.4); 4X200 relay team of Parsons, Gibson, Lance Brown, Wiggins, second (2:20.8).

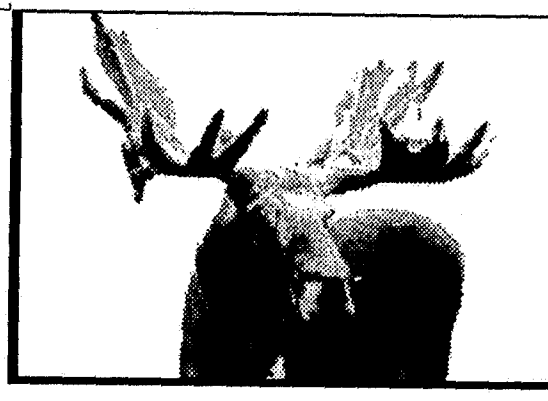
Meet at Mt. Valley—The Telstar team placed fourth in a meet with Mt. Valley, Dirigo, Jay, Berlin and Lancaster. Dan Ojeda was first in the long jump (14-6), second in the 100m (11.82), sixth in shotput (29-9); Terry Gordon fifth in 100m (12.72), fifth in 55m hurdles (10.22); Charles Haines first in shotput (35-2); second in discus (94-3); Jonathon Parsons fourth in triple jump; James Kimball sixth in discus (57-6); 4x100 relay team of John Lewis, Michael Wiggins, Dan Ojeda, Terry Gordon, third (59.0); 4x200 relay team of Ryan Hannigan, Frankie DeDuca, Tommy Bordeaux, Jonathon Parsons, fourth (2:26).

TMS Girls' Track

Meet at Jay, May 7—Telstar placed second against Jay, Mt. Valley and Dixfield. Individual results: Brianne Bailey, first in 1600m (5:59.5), first in high jump (4-2), first in 800m (2:48.0), second in triple jump (26-2); Mary Wentworth, first in 55m hurdles (11.1); Brittany Clark, second in 55m hurdles (12.2); Elizabeth Meisner, third in 800m racewalk (6:08.6); Michelle Aron, fourth in 800m racewalk (6:25.8); Cassandra Haines, sixth in discus (41-9), fifth in shotput (22-0); Eva Thornton, second in 1600m (6:52.6), second in 800m (3:10.3); Kelsey Gamble, fourth in 1600m (8:07.1); Esther Pew, sixth in 200m (35.2); Peggy DePasquale, third in 400m (1:24.2); Katlyn Keane, second in 400m (1:22.9); April Bolstridge, third in high jump (4-0), fourth in triple jump (21-11); Kelsea Kuvaja, third in long jump (10-11); 4X100 relay team of Lauren Conroy, April Bolstridge, Katlyn Keane, Mary Wentworth, third (1:04.6); 4X200 relay team of Kate Roberti, Katlyn Keane, Michelle Aron, Kelsey Gamble, third (2:33.5).

Meet at Mt. Valley—The Telstar team tied for third in a meet with Mt. Valley, Dirigo, Jay, Berlin and Lancaster. Brianne Bailey was first in the 1,600m (6:15), first in 800m (2:58), second in triple jump (25-3); Eva Thornton second in 1,600m (6:48.15); Kelsea Kuvaja fifth in the 400m (1:23); April Bolstridge third in high jump (4-0), third in triple jump (22-2); 4x100 relay team of Brianne Bailey, Lauren Conroy, April Bolstridge, Mary Wentworth, fifth (1:04); 4x200 relay team of Peggy DePasquale, Eva Thornton, Aly Steven, Katlyn Keane, fifth (2:39).

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Television Listings

THURSDAY EVENING MAY 15, 2003										
7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3) 70s Show	70s Show	WWE Smackdown!		News		Frasier	Ent. Tonight			
(32) 7th Heaven		Movie: "What's Eating Gilbert Grape"		Whose?	Whose?	700 Club				
(6) Hollywood	Seinfeld	Friends	Will & Grace	ER		News				
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	NBA	NBA Basketball Playoffs: Conf. Semi. Game 6 -- Teams TBA			News				
(10) News-Lehrer	Maine	Made In	Frontline	Race: The Power		Charlie Rose				
(22) Stanley Cup Playoffs: Eastern Final -- Senators at Devils		Baseball Tonight		NBA Basketball Playoffs						
(34) Blind Date	Blind Date	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Movie: "Messenger of Death"			Real TV	Real TV			
(18) Friends	Ent. Tonight	CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn	Without a Trace		News				
(41) Sports	54321	Best Damn Sports Show Period		Sports	Sports	Best Damn Sports Show				
(15) Movie: "The Color Purple"	Cont'd	Movie: "Black Knight"		Down Live		Real Sex 26: Lessons				
(17) Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Movie: "Miracle in Lane 2"		Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Even	Boy World			
(18) Pelican	Movie: "The Last Castle"			Movie: "Animal Factory"						
(20) MLB Baseball: Texas Rangers at Boston Red Sox				Innings	Extra Inn	ESPNNews				
(44) Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "Are You Lonesome Tonight"		Golden	Golden					
(5) Seinfeld	Friends	Movie: "A Few Good Men"		Movie: "U.S. Marshals"						
(24) Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	SpongeBob	Amanda	Cosby	Cosby	3's Co.	3's Co.			
(25) "Casualties of War"	Movie: "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly"			Movie: "Midway"						
(26) JAG	JAG	Movie: "Hollow Man"				Law CI				
(27) American Justice	Biography	Movie: "Columbo: Rest in Peace, Mrs. Columbo"		Third Watch						
(12) Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "Cyborg"		News	News	Rockford Files				
(39) Live From the Headlines		Larry King Live		Newsnight With Aaron Brown		Moneyline				

FRIDAY EVENING MAY 16, 2003										
7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3) MLB Baseball: Anaheim Angels at Boston Red Sox				News		Frasier	Ent. Tonight			
(32) 7th Heaven		Movie: "Planes, Trains and Automobiles"		Whose?	Whose?	700 Club				
(6) Hollywood	Seinfeld	Dateline	Law & Order	Law & Order		News				
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	30th Annual Daytime Emmy Awards				News				
(10) News-Lehrer	Wash Wk	Wall	Keeping Up	Time Goes	Neighbors	One Foot	Now With Bill Moyers			
(22) NBA Basketball Playoffs: Conf. Semi. Game 6 -- Teams TBA		NBA Basketball Playoffs: Conf. Semi. Game 6 -- Teams TBA								
(34) Blind Date	Blind Date	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Real TV	Real TV			
(18) Friends	Ent. Tonight	Star Search: Champions	CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn		News				
(41) Sports	54321	Best Damn Sports Show Period		Sports	Sports	Best Damn Sports Show				
(15) "Ocean's Eleven" Cont'd	Movie: "High Crimes"			Wire		Arlliss	On Record			
(17) So Raven	Lizzie	"Cinderella II: Dreams Come True"		Kim	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	So Raven	Kim		
(18) Movie: "Lovely & Amazing"		Movie: "Hot Shots! Part Deux"			Movie: "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone"					
(20) MLB Baseball: Anaheim Angels at Boston Red Sox				Innings	Extra Inn	ESPNNews				
(44) Intimate Portrait	Movie: "Playing to Win, A Moment of Truth Movie"									
(5) Seinfeld	Friends	Movie: "Crocodile Dundee II"		MLB Baseball: Atlanta Braves at San Diego Padres						
(24) Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	SpongeBob	Neutron	Oddparents	Oddparents	Cosby	Cosby	3's Co.	3's Co.	
(25) Good, Bad & Ugly	Movie: "Highlander"			Movie: "Journey to the Center of the Earth"						
(26) JAG	Movie: "Mercury Rising"			Monk		Law Order CI				
(27) American Justice	Biography	Grand Ole Opry: 75 Years of America's Music		Third Watch						
(12) Home Imp.	Will-Grace	MLB Baseball: Chicago Cubs at St. Louis Cardinals		News		Justice				
(39) Live From the Headlines		Larry King Live		Newsnight With Aaron Brown		Moneyline				

SATURDAY EVENING MAY 17, 2003										
7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "Interview With the Vampire"		News		Sanders	Entertainment Tonight			
(32) Movie: "City Slickers"		Movie: "City Slickers II: The Legend of Curly's Gold"								
(6) Maine	Seinfeld	Game Show Moments	Law & Order	Law & Order		News	Sat. Night			
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Tim Allen-Hm.	Movie: "Charlie's Angels"			News	Practice			
(10) Made In	Outdoor	Manor House		Britain From the Air		Red Green	Red Green			
(22) To Be Announced				Baseball Tonight		Sportscenter				
(34) Real TV	Real TV	Real TV	Real TV	Elimination	Elimination	WWE Velocity	WWE Confidential			
(18) Entertainment Tonight	Price Is Right	District		Agency		News	Andromeda			
(41) Beyond the Glory	Boxing: Julio Garcia vs. Johnny Rivera			54321	See This	Best Damn Sports Show				
(15) "See Spot Run" Cont'd	Movie: "Enough"			Boxing: Leonard Dorin vs. Paul Spadafora						
(17) So Raven	Lizzie	Movie: "An Extremely Goofy Movie"		Kim	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	So Raven	Kim		
(18) "Escape From L.A."	Movie: "Joe Somebody"			On Set	Movie: "Collateral Damage"					
(20) Tennis: XL Capital Bermuda Open		ESPNNews		ESPNNews		ESPNNews				
(44) Movie: "Double Jeopardy"		Movie: "House of Secrets"		What Should You Do?						
(5) Movie: "The Negotiator"				MLB Baseball: Atlanta Braves at San Diego Padres						
(24) Neutron	Oddparents	Neutron	Nicktoon	Oddparents	Nicktoon	Ginger	Nicktoon	Nicktoon	Nicktoon	
(25) "Highlander" Cont'd	Movie: "Jaws"			Movie: "King Kong"						
(26) Movie: "The Nutty Professor"				Movie: "Dumb & Dumber"						
(27) American Justice	Cold Case Files	Crossing Jordan		Who Killed Laci Peterson		Paparazzi	Star Treat			
(12) MLB Baseball: Chicago White Sox at Minnesota Twins				News		Fresh Pr.	Crimson			
(39) Capital Gang	CNN Presents	Larry King Weekend		CNN Saturday Night		CNN Presents				

SUNDAY EVENING MAY 18, 2003										
7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "Mr. Holland's Opus"		News		Red Sox	70s Show	Sanders		
(32) City Slick 2	Movie: "City Slickers"			Movie: "Crocodile Dundee"						
(6) Dateline	American Dreams	Law Order CI		Law Order CI		News	Hot Ticket			
(8) Movie: "The Waterboy"		Bachelor				News	Buffy			
(10) Monarch of the Glen	Nature	Masterpiece Theatre		To Contrary Religion						
(22) Baseball Tonight	MLB Baseball: Philadelphia Phillies at Houston Astros			Sportscenter						
(34) WWE Sunday Night Heat	Elimination	Elimination	Real TV	Real TV	Blind Date	Blind Date	Trucks!	Car		
(18) 35 Years and 60 Minutes		Movie: "Hitler: The Rise of Evil"				News	Friends			
(41) Boxing: Sunday	Beyond the Glory	NBA	NBA	See This	54321	Beyond the Glory				
(15) Spirit: Stallion	Sopranos	Six Feet Under		Wire						
(17) So Raven	Lizzie	Movie: "Dinosaur"		Kim	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	So Raven	Kim		
(18) Movie: "Wicked"		Movie: "Dr. Dolittle 2"		Movie: "Mr. Deeds"						
(20) McCarver	PGA	Outdoors	Outdoors	Divers	NE Journal	Camo Cnt	Outdoors	ESPNNews		
(44) Movie: "Student Seduction"				Division		Strong Medicine	Any Day Now			
(5) "Sleepless in Seattle"	Movie: "Pretty Woman"			Movie: "Pretty Woman"						
(24) Nicktoon	Ginger	Garcia	Clueless	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	
(25) "High Plains Drifter"	Movie: "Young Guns"			Movie: "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly"						
(26) Movie: "Liar Liar"				Movie: "Liar Liar"						
(27) Columbo: Rest in Peace	Biography			Who Killed Laci Peterson		Crossing Jordan				
(12) Mutant X	Andromeda	Adventure Inc.		News	Replay	Rockford Files				
(39) CNN Live	People	CNN Presents		Larry King Weekend		CNN Sunday Night		CNN Presents		

MONDAY EVENING MAY 19, 2003										
7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3) 70s Show	70s Show	Parkers	One	Girlfriends		News		Frasier	Ent. Tonight	
(32) 7th Heaven		Movie: "Phenomenon"						700 Club		
(6) Hollywood	Seinfeld	Fear Factor		Movie: "Martha Inc.: The Story of Martha Stewart"		News				
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	ABC's 50th Anniversary Celebration				News				
(10) News-Lehrer		Capitol Connection		Ken Burns American Stories				McLaughlin		
(22) Stanley Cup Playoffs: Eastern Conference Final Game 5 -- Devils at Senators		Baseball Tonight		Sportscenter						
(34) Blind Date	Blind Date	Star Trek: Next Gener.	WWE Raw			CSI: Crime Scn				
(18) Friends	Ent. Tonight	King	Yes, Dear	Reynold	CSI: Miami	News				
(41) Sports	54321	Best Damn Sports Show Period		Sports	Sports	Best Damn Sports Show				
(15) On the Record		Movie: "Spider-Man"		Movie: "Lethal Weapon 3"						
(17) Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Little Mermaid II: Return-Sea		Kim	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Even	Boy World		
(18) Ace Vent	On Set	Movie: "Collateral Damage"			Movie: "Kiss of the Dragon"					
(20) MLB Baseball: New York Yankees at Boston Red Sox				Innings	Extra Inn	ESPNNews				
(44) Intimate Portrait	What Should You Do?	Movie: "Formula for Death"				Golden	Golden			
(5) Seinfeld	Friends	Movie: "Sister Act"			Movie: "Moonstruck"					
(24) Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	SpongeBob	Amanda	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	
(25) "French Kiss" Cont'd	Movie: "Pretty in Pink"			Movie: "White Palace"						
(26) JAG	JAG		JAG		JAG	JAG				
(27) American Justice	Biography	Inspector Morse: The Silent World of Nicholas Quinn		Third Watch						
(12) Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "Crimson Tide"		News		Rockford Files				
(39) Live From the Headlines		Larry King Live		Newsnight With Aaron Brown		Moneyline				

TUESDAY EVENING MAY 20, 2003										
7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3) 70s Show	70s Show	Buffy the Vampire Slayer	Next Top Model			News		Frasier	Ent. Tonight	
(32) 7th Heaven		Movie: "The One"				Whose?	Whose?	700 Club		
(6) Hollywood	Seinfeld	Game Show Moments	Frasier	Ellie	Dateline	News				
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	8 Rules	According to Jim	Less Than	NYPD Blue	News				
(10) News-Lehrer		Nova	Warrior Challenge		Independent Lens	Charlie Rose				
(22) Rome Is Burning		NBA Basketball Playoffs: Eastern Conf. Final -- Teams TBA		Stanley Cup Playoffs						
(34) Blind Date	Blind Date	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Movie: "Friday the 13th -- The Final Chapter"			Real TV	Real TV			
(18) Friends	Ent. Tonight	JAG	Movie: "Hitler: The Rise of Evil"			News				
(41) Sports	54321	Best Damn Sports Show Period		Sports	Sports	Best Damn Sports Show				
(15) Wilches	Ocean's 11	Movie: "Enough"			Real Sports	Six Feet Under				
(17) Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Movie: "Dumbo"		Kim	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Even	Boy World		
(18) Movie: "Rock Star" Cont'd		Movie: "The Forsaken"			Movie: "Insomnia"					
(20) MLB Baseball: New York Yankees at Boston Red Sox				Innings	Extra Inn	ESPNNews				
(44) Intimate Portrait	Final Justice	Movie: "A Vision of Murder: The Story of Danielle"			Golden	Golden				
(5) Seinfeld	Friends	Movie: "Blade"			Movie: "Point of No Return"					
(24) Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	SpongeBob	Amanda	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	
(25) "The Hot Rock" Cont'd	Movie: "The Elger Sanction"			Movie: "The Seven-Ups"						
(26) JAG	Movie: "Tommy Boy"			Movie: "Black Sheep"						
(27) American Justice	Biography	Cold Case Files			Third Watch					
(12) Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "Quiz Show"			News	Rockford Files				
(39) Live From the Headlines		Larry King Live		Newsnight With Aaron Brown		Moneyline				

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	70s Show	70s Show	Enterprise		Twilight Zone		News		Frasier	Ent. Tonight
(32)	7th Heaven	Movie: "Down Periscope"				Whose?		Whose?	700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	My Wife and Kids		Bachelor: After		Extreme Makeover		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer	Peter and Paul-Christian			Kingdom of David: The Saga of the Israelites		Charlie Rose			
(22)	Stanley Cup Playoffs: Eastern Conference Final Game 6 -- Senators at Devils					X Games Global Champ.		Sportscenter		
(34)	Blind Date	Blind Date	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Movie: "Soldier Boyz"			Real TV		Real TV
(18)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	38th Annual Academy of Country Music Awards					News		
(41)	Sports	54321	Best Damn Sports Show Period			Sports	Sports	Best Damn Sports Show		
(15)	"Summer Catch" Cont'd		Sex & City	Sex & City	Six Feet Under		Legendary	On the Record	Def Poets	
(17)	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Movie: "The Aristocats"			Proud	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Even	Boy World
(18)	Movie: "Shallow Hall" Cont'd			Movie: "Thirteen Ghosts"			Movie: "Collateral Damage"			
(20)	MLB Baseball: New York Yankees at Boston Red Sox				Innings		Sports Plus	ESPN News		
(44)	Intimate Portrait		What Should You Do?		Movie: "To Love, Honor and Deceive"			Golden		Golden
(5)	Seinfeld	Friends	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Ripley's Believe It or Not!		Movie: "Stir of Echoes"			
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	SpongeBob	Amanda	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby
(25)	The Flight of the Phoenix		Movie: "Joe Kidd"			Movie: "Rooster Cogburn"				
(26)	JAG		Movie: "Waterworld"							
(27)	American Justice		Biography		American Justice		City Confidential		Third Watch	
(12)	Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "House Party"			News		News	Rockford Files	
(39)	Live From the Headlines				Larry King Live		Newsnight With Aaron Brown		Moneyline	

Events Calendar

Public Computer Access — Hours at the SAD44 Adult Learning Center, Philbrook Street, Bethel are: Tuesday, 9 a.m. to noon; Wednesday, 4:30 to 8:30 p.m.; and Thursday, 9 a.m. to noon for academic instruction and GED preparation, as well as use of the computer lab.

Seniors Lunch every Tuesday and Thursday, 11:30 a.m., at Bethel Methodist Church, Main Street, sponsored by SeniorsPlus. Donation for 60 and older and spouses, \$2.50; all other guests, \$4. Reservations important. For information, menus, reservations, call 824-3156 (also the number to call to apply for Meals on Wheels).

9 a.m. (Thursdays) — Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge at Town and Country Mobile Home Park community center, Norway. All bridge players invited to attend and bring a friend or two. Refreshments. For more information, call Mimi Bell (743-8081) or Rowena Palmer (743-2882) or e-mail bridge@megalink.net.

April 15-June 3 — Vegetarian Whole Foods cookery and Health Seminar at Taste of Eden Bakery-Café, 188 Main Street, Bethel, Tuesdays at 6 p.m. Cost: \$5 each session. FMI, call 824-8933.

Through May 18

"A Little Princess," a family musical that takes place in war-torn London (with Kelsey Gamble of Bethel playing young Sara Crewe, among others at the Schoolhouse Arts Center, Route 114, Sebago Lake Village. Fridays and Saturdays, 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Cost: \$10 students/seniors, \$14 adults. Tickets available by calling 642-5938 or order online at www.schoolhousearts.org.

Thursday, May 15

5:30 p.m. — Oxford County Democrats will meet at Telstar Regional High School for a potluck supper followed by meeting at 6:30 p.m. in Room 106. Those attending are asked to bring a food item to share. FMI, call Cathy Newell at 875-2116 or e-mail cathynew@megalink.net.

4:30 to 7:30 p.m. — Explorations End of Season Art Exhibit at the Grand Summit Hotel, Sunday River Ski Resort. Art work of students in grade one through adult. Public invited.

Friday, May 16

10:30 a.m. — Oxford County Retired Teachers Association meeting at Oxford Legion Hall. Fundraiser: plant sale. New retirees welcome. Call Marilyn Leighton at 743-7677 to reserve a lunch ticket.

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. — "Getting To Know: Fire in the Ecosystem," an outdoor workshop offered by Appalachian Mountain Club at Pinkham Notch Visitor Center in the White Mountain National Forest. Open to all. FMI, or to register, call (603) 466-2721 or visit the Web at www.outdoors.org.

Saturday, May 17

11 a.m. and 4 p.m. — Syttende Mai Norwegian Festival at Northern Forest Heritage Park Logging Camp, Berlin, N.H. Kantele Harp Players, strolling fiddlers, famous "smorbord" luncheon, children's activities, arts and crafts and more. Adults: \$8; children six to 12, \$4, under six free. Smorbord luncheon \$12. Rain or shine.

5 and 6 p.m. — Chicken Pie Supper at Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church. Adults: \$7; under 12, \$3. Handicapped accessible. Air conditioned. FMI, call 583-9024. Donations welcome.

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. — Public Supper at West Bethel Union Church. Adults, \$5; under 12, \$2.50.

8 a.m. to 4 p.m. — Spring Volunteer Day at Maine Conservation School, Bryant Pond. Neighbors, alumni, friends will join school staff to clean up and open

the school for the summer. Everyone welcome — help is needed so please sign up. Bring the family. Picnic lunch provided. Sign up for free mini workshops. FMI, call Heather at 665-2068.

7:30 p.m. — Nathan Towne, Norway native, in concert at Fare Share Commons Art Gallery, 447 Main Street, Norway. Doors open at 7 p.m. Tickets: \$8 for adults and \$3 for under 12. FMI, call 388-2669 or 935-4505.

7 a.m. — Western Foothills Land Trust 9th annual Bird-a-Thon at Van Nest Farm, 265 Old Stage Road, Norway (Pike's Hill) (rain date: Sunday, May 18). \$10 contribution for individuals or \$15 for family. Wear comfortable clothes, waterproof boots and bring binoculars. Baked goods, coffee and tea follow the walk. FMI, call Bob or Mary Van Nest at 743-8104.

9 a.m. — Clean-up Day at East Bethel Cemetery. Bring rake or other garden tool. Coffee and sandwiches will be served after.

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. — Open House at Bethel Fire Station. Tour old station and hear about the proposed new fire station. Equipment on display. Refreshments.

1 to 4 p.m. — Open House at Bethel Ambulance Station.

7 a.m. — Clean-up Day at Middle Intervale Cemetery. (Rain date: May 18)

5 p.m. — Public Supper at North Waterford Congregational Church vestry to raise funds to send children to summer camp. Tickets: \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 12 may be purchased in advance from church members or at door. Door prizes.

9 a.m. to noon — Annual Rhubarb Pie Sale at West Paris Universalist Church, Main Street.

5 p.m. (first seating) — Birthday Supper at Andover First Congregational Church. Roast pork will be main course with birthday cakes as dessert. Two settings.

9 a.m. — Small Woodland Association of Maine meeting on tree planting will be held near the Albany Basin along Crooked River just off Route 5. Coffee and doughnuts available at 8:30 a.m. Open to the public and signs will be posted.

8 a.m. to 4 p.m. — Maine Conservation School Campus Clean-up Day. Help is needed. Sign up for free mini workshops. Picnic lunch provided. Bring the family. Call Heather at 665-2068 for more information.

Sunday, May 18

2 p.m. — Finnish American Heritage Society meeting at Heritage Center, Maple Street, West Paris. Discussion of summer events, sign-ups for hosting Open House, video showing of four season scenes in Finland, coffee social, gift shop, library, museum open. Visitors welcome.

All day — Open House at Tri-Town Rescue Service, Route 26, West Paris. CPR demo, 911 clinic for kids, search and rescue demo and vehicle extraction demo. LifeFlight helicopter will arrive. Refreshments, salads, and burgers available between noon and 1 p.m. courtesy of Tri-Town Rescue Auxiliary. Many other participating departments will join Tri-



On Friday & Saturday May 16 & 17 the Oddfellow Theater in Buckfield will present International Variety Artist Michael Menes.

Michael Menes is a kid-friendly-adult-wise variety performer who combines articulate juggling, inventive contortionism, physical comedy, and personal theater into a universally appealing mixture of upbeat and astonishing variety-theater.

This year Michael is celebrating 25 years of juggling with a career that has taken him all around the world. Hawaii's Maui News described him as "A movement artist with few equals." Menes takes juggling into another realm... creating kinetic art while never losing his sense of humor."

Show times are 7:pm doors open at 6:30, all seats are general admission. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors and \$5 for children 12 and under.

Michael is generously donating the proceeds of one of his performances to the Oddfellow Theater's fundraising efforts.

Tickets may be purchased by calling the Oddfellow Theater box-office at 207-336-3306, Visa and MasterCard accepted. Please visit our website for more information at www.oddfellow.com

Town throughout the day. FMI, call 674-2400.

Tuesday, May 20

7 p.m. — Telstar Music Department Spring Concert at Helen Berry Auditorium. Free, but donations greatly appreciated. Refreshments after, by the Music Boosters organization.

11 a.m. — Christian Women United monthly meeting at First Congregational Church, South Paris. Speaker: Diane Muise of Auburn. Those not contacted may call Pearl Anderson at 743-5724.

6:30 p.m. — "Attics to Archives," a workshop on storing, repairing, and organizing books, letters, papers and photos will be given at Norway Memorial Library by Otisfield Historical Society. Free and open to public. FMI, call 743-5309.

Wednesday, May 21

1 p.m. — Woodstock Extension group meeting at the Town Conference Room. Program: birds. Tasting party.

Thursday, May 22

First annual Heritage Project Fair sponsored by New Hampshire Heritage Project and Arts Alliance of Northern New Hampshire at Northern Forest Heritage Park in Berlin, N.H. Bring own lunch. Call Kay Morgan at (603) 868-2485 or Frumie Selchen at (603) 323-7302 for more details and to pre-register (requested).

10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. — Marketing Seminar co-sponsored by Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce and Maine Tourism Association at Bethel Alliance Church. Free and lunch provided. RSVP necessary by Friday, May 16 by calling the chamber office at 824-2282.

May 22, 23, 24

7 p.m. — "Ducktails and Bobbysox," off-Broadway musical comedy set in a small town in the '50s will be performed at Helen Berry Auditorium, Telstar Regional High School. The show is quick-paced and filled with 1950's style early rock n'

roll music. Admission: \$5 for students and senior citizens and \$5 for adults at door. Children will be admitted free.

Saturday, May 24

9 a.m. — St. Never's Day Sale at Bethel Historical Society. Good useable items (no clothing) needed for the sale and can be left on the side porch of the O'Neil Robinson House. If pick-up needed, please call 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. — 24th annual Faye Taylor Memorial Art Show at Bethel Historical Society. "The Arrival of Airplanes in Bethel in the 1920s is the theme this year. The contest is open to all SAD44 students in grades one through six, and finished works are due at the society's Robinson House by 3 p.m. on Friday, May 23. FMI, call 824-2908.

5 to 6 p.m. — Public Supper at West Paris Grange Hall, Church Street. Tickets: \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 12.

Friday, May 30

34th annual Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce Awards Dinner at Grand Summit Hotel, Sunday River. Full buffet dinner, recognition and networking, silent auction. \$30 per person. Tables of eight available. FMI and to make reservations, call 824-2282.

7 p.m. (6:30 sign-up) — Norway CoffeeHouse Open Mic, hosted by Heather Pierson and Diane Vincent at Unitarian Universalist Church, 479 Main Street. All welcome. Suggested donation: \$3. Proceeds to benefit Advocates for Children. FMI, call Heather (evenings) at 935-4505.

May 30-31

American Cancer Society's Relay For Life at Hosmer Field, Rumford. Starts at 6 p.m. on May 30 and continues for 18 hours. Form a team or join a team that needs a few members. For more information, call (800) 464-3102, press 3.

Church Services

Bethel

Bethel Alliance Church—Rev. Rick Mowery, 10:00 a.m. worship, Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. Evening fellowship and youth ministries 6:00pm, Sundays. Prayer fellowship 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays.

Church of the Nazarene—Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school (2 hours, including recreation activities; call 824-4028 for transportation). 10:30 a.m. morning worship, 6 p.m. evening service. 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 for more info.

West Parish Congregational—Rev. Daniel Johnson. 10:30 a.m. worship, Nursery care provided. Prayer, Tues., 8 a.m. For more information call 824-8860.

Our Lady of the Snows—Mass—Saturday, 4:30 p.m. March 29-Dec. 21 Pastor Father Maurice Lebel 743-2606.

United Methodist—Rev. Betsy S. Webber, Pastor, 9 a.m. Sunday worship. Rainbow Church School, 3-5 p.m. Thursdays (all ages welcome).

West Bethel Union—9 a.m. worship and Sunday school. For info. call 836-2844 or 836-2862. Rev. Earl H. Bell.

Pleasant Valley Bible—Pastor Clifford McMullen, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship. 836-2828.

Episcopal House Church—Holy communion service the third Sunday of every month at 4:00pm at 38 Chapman Street. For further info, call the Reverend Gwyneth Bohr at 824-2913.

Church of Christ—at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mill Road (Rt. 26), Bethel. Worship at 10 a.m. Sunday, Bible study at 11 a.m. 824-3577.

Worldwide Church of God—10:30 a.m. first, second third (and fifth) Saturday each month. Services held in the dining hall of the West Parish Congregational Church. Contact: George Weber, 892-0779.

Woodstock

Bryant Pond Baptist—Rev. Ivan Hatch (interim), Sundays: Sunday School 9:15am; Adult Bible Fellowship 9:15am; Morning Worship 10:30am; Evening Service 6:00pm; Wednesdays: Kid's hour 6:30pm; Prayer meeting & bible study 6:30pm.

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist—Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school, 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock)—Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Mahosuc Mountains Friends—a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) - Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. First Day School activities provided for children. Call Arla Patch 665-2224 for more info.

Andover

First Congregational Church—Pastor Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10am followed by coffee fellowship. Sunday School on Tuesdays from 3-4:15pm for children in grades K-5. Thursday, choir practice at 6:30. All are welcome.

Calvary Bible Church—Pastor John O'Keefe. Winter hours: Sunday School 9:30am, Sunday AM worship 10:45am, Wednesday bible study and prayer meeting 6:45pm, Thursday Men's Discipleship 7:00pm, Contact church for schedule of Ladies Discipleship and bible study groups. Route 5, S. Andover. 392-1121.

Gorham, N.H.

Assembly of God—Pastor Paul Levinge. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m. (603-466-2851).

Locke Mills

Locke Mills Union—Rev. Michael Johnson. Worship will be held at 10:00am.

East Stoneham

Oxford County United Parish—Rev. George Froberg, 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School; Sunday morning worship will be held at the North Waterford Church beginning November 3 and continuing through the winter months.

Newry

Newry Community Church—Sunday worship service, 9 a.m. Rodney H. Hanscom, pastor. (Services in the church will resume in April)

Albany

Congregational Church—Hunt's Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the church.

Norway/Paris

Christian Science Society (5 Aldrich Ave.)—Sunday Service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony Service 7:30 p.m. Call 824-4099 for info or ride.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church—Route 117N, S. Paris, Pastor Tom Teichmann. Sunday Morning Service 9 a.m. with coffee fellowship immediately after.

North Paris Federation—Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service: 8 a.m. Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2968. Singership third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7pm.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers)—Sunday worship 9:30 a.m., Children's program, 9:40 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris. Call 583-2780 for more information.

Christ Episcopal Church—35 Paris St. Sunday services at 8 and 10 a.m.; Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-6782 for more information.

Rumford

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church—Mass, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Canon Henry Male, Jr. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary.

Rumford Center

Praise Assembly of God—Pastor James Michaels. Sunday School 9:00am, Sunday worship service at 10:00am. Sunday prayer meeting at 6:00pm. Wednesday night bible study at 7:00pm. East Andover Rd. For more information, call 364-3856.

Rumford Point

Rumford Point Church—Sunday service, Sunday School, 8:30 a.m. Pastor Michael F. Johnson.

West Paris

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris—UU Rev. Joy Gasta, 9 a.m. worship (Sept.-mid-June), 674-2365.

West Paris Baptist—Sunday Worship 9:15 a.m., Bruce Tyner, Pastor. Adult Education and Sunday School 10:15 a.m., Sunday evening worship with Bible reading 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday evening choir practice at 6 followed by prayer meeting and Bible study, 7 p.m. (Third Sunday of each month, Singership alternating between North Paris Federated and West Paris Baptist).

West Paris Congregational Church—Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

Harrison

Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church—Bolster's Mills Road, Harrison, Maine Rev. Walter R. Brown, Pastor. Sunday worship at 8:45 a.m. Church school 10:15a.m. for kids Kindergarten - Grade 12. Call 583-9024 or (207) 998-7040 for more information.

Sumner

East Sumner Congregational—Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

Sunday River Skiway

Sunday River Christian Ministry — Rev Don Coverdale. On-mountain interdenominational worship service every Sunday. Special music with gospel singer Cynthia Libby April 6 at the River House at 10:30am. Last service - Easter Sunrise on April 20th at the top of Barker Mountain. Ride up/down lift #1 Barker Mountain Chairlift open at 6:30a.m.

Support Services

Abused Women's Advocacy Project

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24-hour hotline 1-800-559-2927.

Alcohol/Drug Treatment

Gateway Recovery Services—Outpatient counseling services available at Bethel Family Health Center, Mondays and Wednesdays. For info, call 207-743-7580.

Diabetes Support Group

The Diabetes Support Group meets on the third Wednesday of each month. The meeting is held from 6:30-7:30pm in the Harper Conference Center in the Ripley Medical Building. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Betty Stirois at 743-5833.

Exchanges

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursday 3 to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center announces that individuals or families requiring assistance with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

MS Self-Help Group

Meets the first Friday of the month from 1-2:30 p.m. at the West Parish Congregational Church, next to Gould Academy. For more information, call Gale Tout at 836-2900.

Mental Illness Support Group

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional or physical illness, provides support, relaxation and socialization. Monday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Thursday, 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays or (800) 335-9999 off hours. 928-3222.

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

Veterans' Services (State/VA Benefits)

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first and third Wednesdays each month, 9 to 12 noon (743-6300); Rumford Employment Sec. Bldg. (364-3718), second and fourth Thursday, 9 to 12 noon; Lewiston (795-4550), 200 Main St., 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday thru Friday, location: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m. Tel. 392-4841. (new members welcome)

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.

Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-8 p.m.; Thursday 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 1-5 p.m.; Saturday, 9-11 p.m. Story Hour Mondays, 10-11 a.m. October to May. Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520.

Crescent Park Elementary School: Open every Wednesday evening from 6p.m. to 8p.m. to the Public.

Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505.

Library hours: Tuesday 1:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.; Thursday 1:30-5 p.m.; West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-5 p.m.; Wednesday 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m. 674-2004.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story

Upton Library: Saturdays 9a.m. - 11a.m.

Monthly Meetings

First Sunday: Bethel Snow Twisters Club meets at Clayton Crockett's at 7 p.m. September through April.

Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club meeting at Newry Town Office.

Second Sunday: Western Maine Mountain Trail Mixers ATV Club meets at 6:30pm at Sun Valley Sports, 129 Sunday River Road, Bethel. New members welcome.

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961.

Bethel Freedom Group AA meeting, 6 to 7 p.m. ST/BB at Bethel Fire Station.

First and Third Monday: Bethel Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Newry Fire Department monthly meetings: first Monday, 7 p.m., at Sunday River Station; third Monday, 7 p.m., Bear River Station.

Franklin Grange #124, 7:00p.m., call 674-3046 or 674-3962 for more info.

Greenwood Planning Board meets at Town Office, 7 p.m.

Second Monday: Newry Mother's Club meets, 7:30 p.m.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, J. Grover Tent #17, Ellis River Riders meet at Andover Fire Station, 7 p.m.

Second and Fourth Monday: SAD44 Board of Directors meets in Bethel, Woodstock or Andover at 7:30 p.m. Call 824-2185 for place.

Gilead Fire Department meets at the Fire Station at 7 p.m.

Every Monday: Mahosuc Music Makers rehearsal, 7-9 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church (downstairs).

First Tuesday: Upton selectmen meet at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Western Maine Knitters Guild meets at Christ Church, Norway, 10 a.m. to noon.

First and Third Tuesday: The Greater

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SERVICE ACADEMY BOUND—CDR. John H. Todd, U.S. Navy (Retired) was joined by Captain Lee Fournier, U.S. Navy (Ret.) and Lt. Col. Wayne Nicoli, U.S. Army, retired, who presented three Gould Academy seniors with appointments to West Point and the Naval Academy on Wednesday morning at an all school assembly. Pictured from left to right are John Todd, Wayne Nicoli, Head of School Dan Kunkle, Matt Martel of North Woodstock, NH (West Point), Rich Jindrich of Conover, Wisc. (Naval Academy), Bill Murphy of Bethel (Naval Academy), and Lee Fournier.

News and photos

The Citizen welcomes submissions of news items and photographs from local clubs and organizations. The deadline for clubs and organizational items is noon Monday, but earlier submission is appreciated.

All news articles should be typed or printed legibly, and include the name and daytime telephone number of a contact person.

Photos: When submitting photographs, please identify the nature and date of the activity, the names of everyone shown in the photograph, and the name of the photographer. Please also provide the name and telephone number of a contact person.

Submissions can be dropped off at The Citizen office (behind the Bethel Town Office) or mailed to P.O. Box 109, Bethel, ME, 04217. During non-business hours, items can be placed in the mailbox outside our office. For further information, call 824-2444. News and photos can also be submitted by e-mail: news@bethelcitizen.com.

SCHOOL LUNCHES: WEEK OF MAY 19

SAD44 Elementary/Middle/High Breakfast Program
Breakfast for elementary schools and Telstar Regional High School will be choices every day.

SAD44 Middle/High Lunch Program
Monday: Cheeseburger/bun, potato chips, choice of: pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli ham and cheese roll, hamburger/bun, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Tuesday: Pasta salad, ham slice, turkey slice, choice of: teriyaki chicken, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, hamburger/bun salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Wednesday: Pizza stix, choice of: hot dog/bun, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, hamburger/bun, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Thursday: Chicken, batter/breaded, mashed potato, corn, choice of: chicken pattie, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, hamburger/bun, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Friday: Cheese stix, dipping sauce, choice of: pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, fishwich, hamburger/bun pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

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Thursday: Chicken, battered/breaded, mashed potato, corn, choice of: beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

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Monday: Chicken patty/bun, potato salad, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Pizza sticks, whole kernel corn, salad bar, fruit, milk.

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Monday: Ham and cheese or chicken salad on w/w, corn chips, milk.

Tuesday: Chicken patty or hot ham and cheese/bun, potato puffs, milk.

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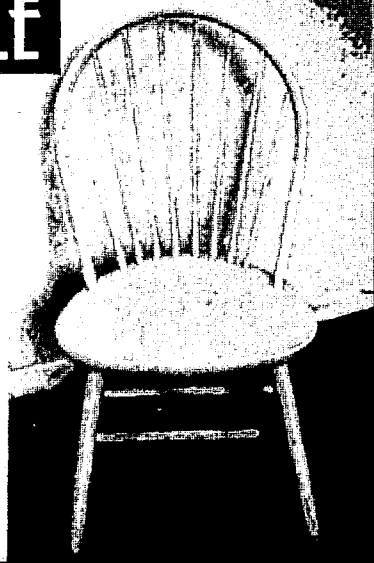
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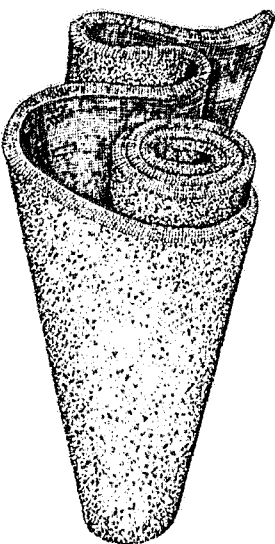
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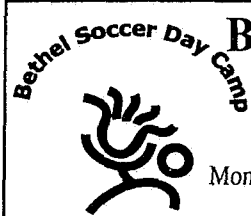


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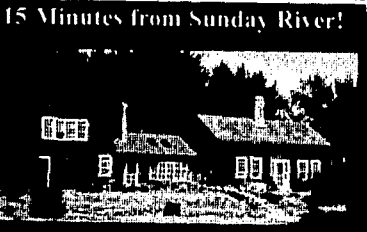
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(Dormer Units Available)	
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(With Deck)	
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Sleep 8, Lockout:	\$38,000 to \$45,900
Sleep 10, Penthouse:	\$175,000
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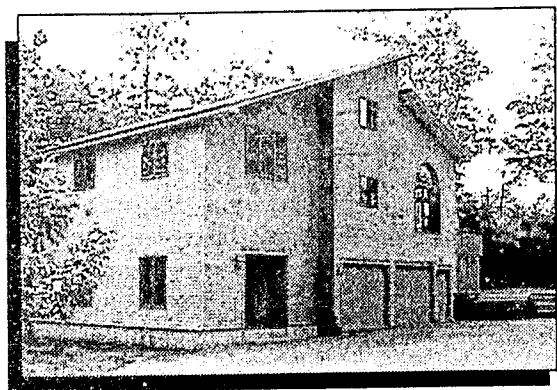
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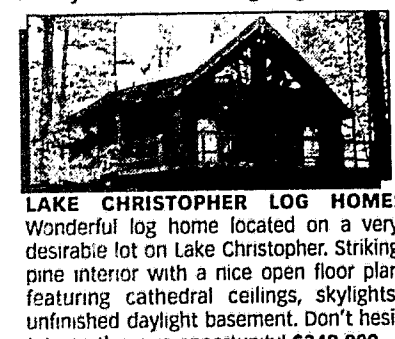
SUNSET FARM: This prominent Bethel landmark, built in 1826, has been lovingly restored and enhanced with two modern additions. Situated on 18+/- scenic acres with a farm pond, Androscoggin River frontage and unsurpassed views. A well designed floor plan featuring 6 fireplaces, 6+ bedrooms, offices, formal dining and living rooms, den, family room. Two car garage, 10 stall barn. **\$795,000**



BROAD STREET - BETHEL VILLAGE: Built in 1980, this sun filled Cape is ideally located on a corner lot in a desirable residential neighborhood. Warm, welcoming interior featuring a Russian fireplace, 4 + bedrooms, attached 2 car garage. **\$265,000**



Log home: Located on a 2.74 acre lot with gorgeous mountain views. Open floor plan offers an extra-large kitchen and living room, full bath and 1/2 bath and two oversized bedrooms and a daylight basement for further expansion. The screened in porch gives perfect opportunity to enjoy the views and private location. **\$142,000**



LAKE CHRISTOPHER LOG HOME: Wonderful log home located on a very desirable lot on Lake Christopher. Striking pine interior with a nice open floor plan featuring cathedral ceilings, skylights, unfinished daylight basement. Don't hesitate on this rare opportunity! **\$349,000**



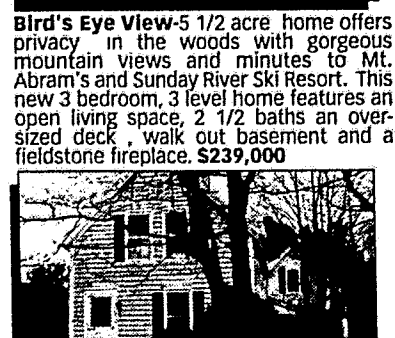
CONVENIENT CONTEMPORARY HOME: Located close to the Village, yet on a nice secluded lot on Paradise Road, this spacious five bedroom home has an efficiency apartment and many fine details. Formal dining room and living room with fireplace, sun room overlooking an above ground pool. Three car oversized garage. Farm pond, nicely landscaped yard. **\$399,000**



PARADISE RIDGE HOME: BRAND NEW POST AND BEAM CONSTRUCTION AWAITS YOUR FINISHING TOUCHES. Walking distance to Bethel Village amenities. This custom home offers an open floor plan, an oversized family room, 3 baths, 4 bedrooms (2 with lofts), a 2-car garage and a daylight basement offers room for expansion. Cathedral ceilings and radiant heat. Perfect get-away or primary home. **\$269,000**



Ski Chalet: Construction has begun on the perfect weekend get-a-way. Located on Mountain View Rd, lot has beautiful views of Sunday River. Home is chalet style, log sided, metal roof, center chimney, Anderson windows and sliders, cathedral ceiling in great room and master bedroom, open floor plan, 3 bedrooms, full bath, and deck to enjoy the view. Act now to purchase at pre construction price. **\$159,900**



Bird's Eye View-5 1/2 acre: home offers privacy in the woods with gorgeous mountain views and minutes to Mt. Abrams and Sunday River Ski Resort. This new 3 bedroom, 3 level home features an open living space, 2 1/2 baths an oversized deck, walk out basement and a fieldstone fireplace. **\$239,000**



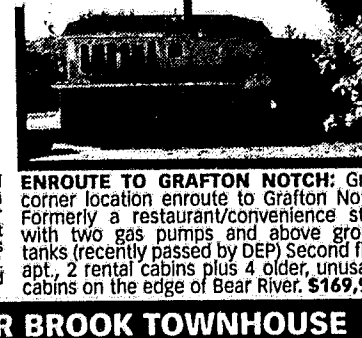
SOUTH POND SHORES - UNDER CONSTRUCTION: Three bedroom/two bath log sided home at South Pond Shores. 5+/- acres of land, deeded access to South Pond. Daylight walkout basement. Gas fireplace. **\$179,000**



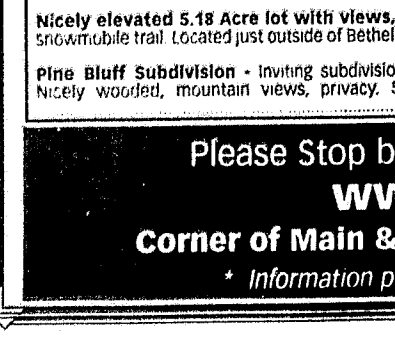
DRAMATIC LOG HOME AT POWDER RIDGE: This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with BEAUTIFUL VIEWS OF THE MAHOOSUC MOUNTAINS FEATURING UNPARALLELED BRITISH COLUMBIAN LOG CONSTRUCTION. Warm and inviting open floor plan includes many special features including a fieldstone fireplace, granite countertops and expansive windows. A 2-car garage, a full basement and a state-of-the-art heating system round out this exceptional home. **\$489,900**



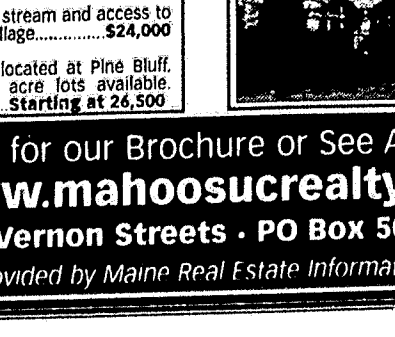
BETHEL VILLAGE CLASSIC NEW ENGLANDER: Hard to come by location, WALKING DISTANCE TO VILLAGE AMENITIES. This warm and welcoming family home has retained its charm and character with 4 bedrooms and 1 1/2 baths. An oversized screened-porch and wood floors. Plenty of room for expansion in the attached barn. Perfect for a family or second home. Priced to sell. **\$189,000**



RECENTLY RENOVATED HOME: Appealing cottage style home with many recent tasteful renovations some of which include a brand new kitchen & bath, 2 bedrooms, heated entry & deck. Nice backyard. This well maintained property would make a great primary home or a second home with rental potential. **\$86,500**



ADORABLE THREE BEDROOM HOME: Antique Village home located on a nice residential street in the Village of Andover. Wonderful bow window, great garden space, porch, separate barn. Reasonably priced at **\$67,000**



Well-maintained Family Home: Family owned since 1963, the porch is bright and sunny ideal spot on a summer's day. With three bedrooms and room for expansion in the attached barn, this home is perfect for a family or second home. It's located 10 minutes from Mt. Abrams, and 20 minutes from Sunday River. This 2-acre parcel of land may be divided and sold by new owner. A must see at **\$85,000**



ENROUTE TO GRAFTON NOTCH: Great corner location enroute to Grafton Notch. Formerly a restaurant/convenience store with two gas pumps and above ground tanks recently passed by DEP. Second floor apt., 2 rental cabins plus 4 older, unusable cabins on the edge of Bear River. **\$169,900**

LAND LISTINGS
Red House Farm Village - Wonderful opportunity at the base of Sunday River. Water, septic and electricity available at site. **Starting at \$49,900**
Wilson's Ripples Subdivision - Premier subdivision with choice lots all having access to the Androscoggin River. **Starting at \$40,000**
Powder Ridge: Spectacular views of Sunday River. **Lot 85 - \$69,900**
Nicely elevated 5.18 Acre lot with views, a stream and access to snowmobile trail. Located just outside of Bethel Village. **\$24,000**
Pine Bluff Subdivision - Inviting subdivision located at Pine Bluff. Nicely wooded, mountain views, privacy. 5+ acre lots available. **Starting at \$25,500**

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CARRIAGE HOUSE CONDOMINIUM: Restored Carriage House condominium which was architecturally designed with a view of the lake. Conveniently located on a nice neighborhood street within walking distance to town and the Bethel Inn & Country Club. Desirable end unit with 1 bedroom plus sleeping loft and 1 1/2 baths. **Unit #4 - \$86,900**

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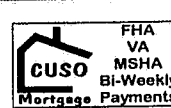


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If you are looking for 6 bedrooms, eat in kitchen, screened in porch, as well as an acre on the Ellis River your search is over. This property is in mint condition and Sellers are motivated! **Offered at \$149,000**



This wonderful New England farmhouse exudes charm throughout. Minutes from Sunday River the property borders on the Bear River. The hot tub and the large barn make this a very desirable property. **Offered at \$125,000**



Cottage at Roxbury pond within walking distance of the beach makes a great year round get a way. Three bedrooms eat in kitchen and living rooms with woodstove add to the cozy ambience of this property. **Offered at \$55,000**



This 4 bedroom farmhouse in Woodstock is loaded with charm. Its wood floors are complimented by authentic tin ceilings and the large eat in kitchen is a plus. Steps to Lake Christopher, and minutes from the skiway this property has tons of potential. **Offered at \$99,900**



Watch the eagles soar from over 1400 feet of river frontage at this wonderful post and beam home. Great sunroom to relax and enjoy only minutes from Sunday River. **Offered at \$169,000**



Ellis River frontage with wonderful mountain views from this 13 acre parcel. **Offered at \$59,900**



Imagine setting your retreat home on this 30 acre parcel on the banks of the West Branch of the Ellis River. **Offered at \$59,900**



Great local mtn views available from this wooded 14 acre parcel in Albany. **Offered at \$50,000**

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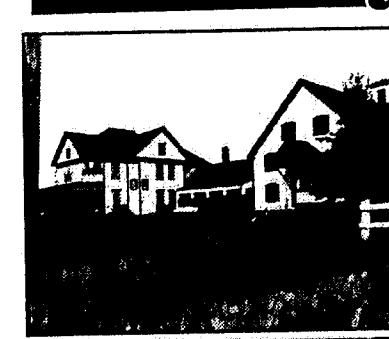
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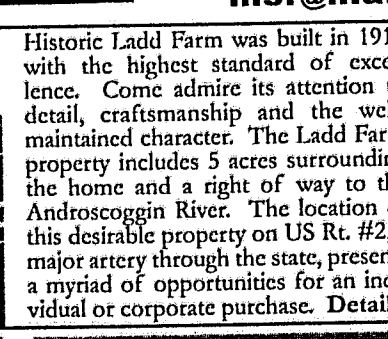
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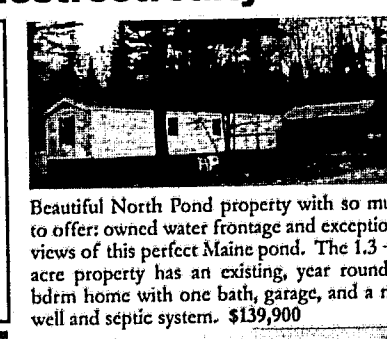
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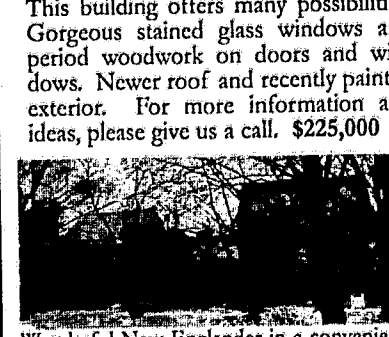
Historic Ladd Farm was built in 1910 with the highest standard of excellence. Come admire its attention to detail, craftsmanship and the well-maintained character. The Ladd Farm property includes 5 acres surrounding the home and a right of way to the Androscoggin River. The location of this desirable property on US Rt. #2, a major artery through the state, presents a myriad of opportunities for an individual or corporate purchase. Details.



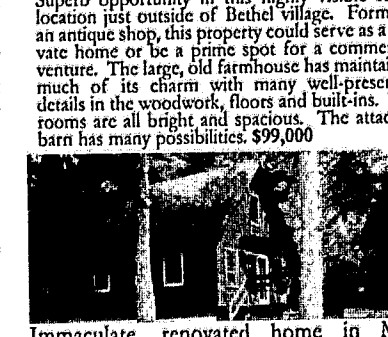
Superb opportunity in this highly visible Rt. 2 location just outside of Bethel Village. Formerly an antique shop, this property could serve as a private home or be a prime spot for a commercial venture. The large, old farmhouse has maintained much of its charm with many well-preserved details in the woodwork, floors and built-ins. The rooms are all bright and spacious. The attached barn has many possibilities. **\$99,000**



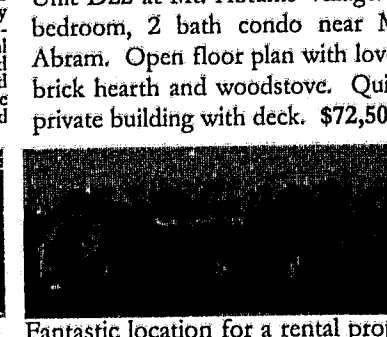
Unit D22 at Mt. Abrams Village. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo near Mt. Abrams. Open floor plan with lovely brick hearth and woodstove. Quiet, private building with deck. **\$72,500**



This building offers many possibilities. Gorgeous stained glass windows and period woodwork on doors and windows. Never roof and recently painted exterior. For more information and ideas, please give us a call. **\$225,000**



Wonderful New Englander in a convenient location, close to everything the Bethel area has to offer. Walk to town. Large yard well-landscaped for privacy, cozy kitchen, 4 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths. Barn and workshop. Currently a one-family home, yet the layout has the potential for a 2-unit dwelling or a commercial venture. **\$165,000**



Immaculate, renovated home in Mt. Abrams Village. Come see this charming 2 bdrm, 1 bath home with woodstove, deck, lovely landscaped yard and views of Mt. Abrams. Pine interior, tile floors, skylight. This adorable house could make a superb four season vacation home, retirement home or starter home. **\$87,000**

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This cottage is located on beautiful Songo Pond. H-126 is available for summer weekly rentals. This cottage sleeps six. Please call for details.



H-97/ Sunday River. This is a lovely Property that is split into three units. There are two person hot tubs on the back deck. You will enjoy your stay here. Call for more details.

H-104/on Indian Pond. This is a very private cottage. H-104 is perfect for a couple or a small family. Call for available weekly summer rentals.

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Obituaries

LORRAINE J. BALL

Lorraine Jacqueline Ball, 77, a long-time resident of Prospect Avenue, Rumford, died unexpectedly early Sunday, May 11, 2003 at the Ledgeview Nursing Home in West Paris, where she had been a patient since 1998.

She was born in Rumford on Oct. 10, 1925, the daughter of Francois and Georgina Lemieux Mailot and was educated in the schools of Rumford.

She married Raymond H. Ball, Sr., who died April 3, 1993.

She was a homemaker all of her life. She was a member of St. Athanasius St. John Parish and had several interests she enjoyed including traveling, playing cards, bowling, going out to spend time at her cottage on Worthley Pond, eating desserts, especially various chocolate dishes and ice cream. She was known to have a wonderful sense of humor which she shared with her family often. Her family members, children and grandchildren were her most important interest. She devoted much of her life to her son, Lenny, whom she loved dearly.

Survivors include two daughters Mrs. David (Brenda J.) Drapeau of Buxton and Mrs. Chet (Maureen M.) Herrick of Bethel, three sons Raymond H. Ball, Jr. and his wife Lynn of Arvada, Colo., Gary A. Ball of Rumford and Lenny W. Ball of Durham, four sisters Mrs. Blanche McLeod, Mrs. Gerard (Jeanne) LeBecque, Mrs. Joseph (Doris) DeFilipp, all of Rumford, and Mrs. Dick (Theresa) Cioffa of Kansas, seven grandchildren; one

great-grandchild; and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a granddaughter, Valarie Anne Ball, on Sept. 26, 1981.

Funeral services were held at St. Athanasius St. John Church on Wednesday, May 14. Committal and interment was at St. John's Cemetery, Rumford. Donations preferred to: Rumford Adult Activity Center, 85 Lincoln Avenue, Rumford, ME 04276.

LOUELLA CAMPBELL

Louella Campbell, 79, died Sunday, May 11, 2003 in North Carolina. She was formerly of Andover and Mexico.

Born in Mexico, on April 1, 1924, she was the daughter of Harold and Edith (Berry) Lancaster. She attended Mexico schools and worked as a switch operator at Federal Pacific. She was married on July 19, 1947 to the late Frances B. Campbell, who died in Mexico on May 3, 1958.

Survivors include her son, Herbert and his fiancé, Christine Abbott of Mexico; two daughters, Mary MacDonald of Albermarle, N.C., and Dora Easter of Denton, N.C.; two sisters, Evangeline Buckingham of Lexington, N.C., and Hazel Hillman of Lee; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a son, Francis Campbell; two sisters, Laura Jordan and Hester Holland; and a brother, George Lancaster.

Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday May 15, at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Andover with the Rev. Robert H. Plummer officiating. Those who desire may contribute to the American Diabetes Association, 9 Church Street,

P.O. Box 2208, Augusta, ME 04330 in her memory. Online condolences and shared memories may be expressed at meaderfh@gwi.net.

STACIA J. SMIGI

Stacia J. Smigi, 86, of Gilead and formerly of Massachusetts, died May 11, 2003 in Norway.

She was born on May 30, 1916, the daughter of Anthony and Katherine Kasilewicz. She was educated in parochial schools and with her husband owned and operated the Hilltop Bakery in Dorchester, Mass. She enjoyed going out to eat and shop.

She is survived by one cousin Eddie Borowski of Quincy, Mass.; and many friends.

Funeral services will be held at the Greenleaf Funeral Home, 37 Vernon Street, Bethel, on Thursday, May 15, at 3 p.m. with the Rev. Bob Schuessler officiating. Burial will be in the New Calvary Cemetery in Boston, Mass.

DOROTHY C. WILSON

Graveside Services for Dorothy Clarke Wilson will be held Saturday, May 17 at 2 p.m. at the Riverside Cemetery in Bethel.

HELEN W. GEORGE

A graveside service will be held on Sunday, May 25, at 4 p.m. at Riverside Cemetery, Bethel, immediately followed by an open house at the home of Barbara Lucas, 23 Church Street, Bethel.

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all the quirks and shortcomings
of life are no surprise.
She takes in with calm wit
the events of our lives.
A knowing ear
to hear and yet
Speaks to the center,
A spine of listening.
Wisdom, life's lessons
Framed in this frame
Of grace induced love.

The deer stands 'caught'
And stares hard.
look not away too long
Or too quick,
For it will disappear
And flee quickly to the wood.
So we look and gaze now
Holding 'still' our love
Our grief, staring hard.
Hoping this moment will last
As long as it permits.
And then gone
Like a vapor
Escaping to the wood
Of unknown and mystery.

"Can I see you one more time?"
There is no promise of tomorrow.
The gaze is blazen in my heart.
The deer stands tall
Knowing well its time is short.
This beauty whips past
My forehead as an unexpected
breeze.
I know not its coming and going.
Yet the gaze remains
and perhaps when I look not
I will see her,
this brazen fawn,
grazing in the open
once again
in a dream of eternity.

She returns to the wood
She returns in speed to the wood.
Her strength is fragile.
I hold her wishes
To my breast.

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Bethel Rescue would like to express its appreciation to all of you and the community who show your continuous support.

Please stop by on May 17 for refreshments and to see our new ambulance, and our station.

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Engagements



Jordan — Groves

Troy and Maryanne Jordan of Bryant Pond are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Pearl, to Scott Groves Jr., son of Scott Sr. and Mary Groves of Greenwood.

Scott is a 1998 graduate of Telstar Regional High School. He is employed by Cross Excavation, but is currently serving with the U.S. Army in the 1136th Transportation Company stationed in Kuwait.

Heather is a 2001 graduate of Telstar Regional High School. She is employed at the Maine Conservation School and is a student at the University of Maine.

A wedding date has been planned for May 22, 2004.



Wilson — Brown

Nathan Brown and Briana Wilson are pleased to announce their engagement. Nathan is the son of Reginald and Mary Brown of Bethel. Briana is the daughter of Terry Roy Wilson of Bethel and the late Terry Wilson.

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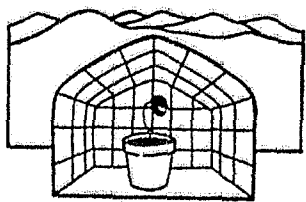
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